

BRANCH MINUTES - 1966-68, LSA-Toronto, Edmonton

1966-01Jan5	LSA Minutes: Teamsters' strike; rail; TUA; NDP caucus plans & protests; Anti-war & YND
1966-01Jan12	LSA Minutes: Teamsters situation; Labor Council, Typos; coming anti-war actions & NDP
1966-01Jan19	LSA Minutes: NDP Vietnam meeting; Anti-war conference; for an industry-wide truck strike
1966-01Jan26	LSA Minutes (incomplete) Teamsters' strike discussion; educationals & public Forums
1966-02Feb2	LSA Minutes: for a Metro and national Viet Nam organization; NDP-Vietnam; Teamsters
1966-02Feb9	LSA Minutes: Attendance; Membership & Contacts
1966-02Feb16a	LSA Minutes: swing ONDY convention behind antiwar march; branch educational
1966-02Feb23	LSA Minutes: Anti-war: Vietnam conference & integrating the NDP; educational
1966-03Mar9	LSA Minutes: formal anti-war fraction; Teamsters' strike solid; NDP caucus
1966-03Mar16a	LSA Minutes: NDP council report; Unions: local reports, anti-Vietnam solidarity
1966-03Mar24	LSA Minutes: Labor Cttee on Vietnam, Teamsters' strike solid; Vietnam policies
1966-03Mar30	LSA Minutes: report on Ottawa march; NDP fraction policies; Teamsters & other
1966-04Apr6	LSA Minutes: Anti-war rally & cttee.; NDP fraction policies, party stand on Viet war
1966-04Apr13	LSA Minutes: reversal of NDP fraction decision; Teamsters reject contract offer
1966-04Apr20	LSA Minutes: NDP-SWC meeting; Teamsters militants meet with Hoffa; Anti-war
1966-04Apr27	LSA Minutes: Teamsters' settlement; NDP youth suspended from posts; Anti-war
1966-05May11	LSA Minutes: Cross-country tour; LSA Convention; Educationals & public Forums
1966-05May17	LSA Minutes: convention nominations from branch as delegates
1966-05May25	LSA Minutes: International day of protest against Vietnam war; educational program
1966-06Jun2	Press release: Toronto mayoralty candidate Ross Dowson to speak against fascist in park
1966-06Jun8	LSA Minutes: Public forums and internal educational
1966-06Jun22	LSA Minutes: Anti-war youth conference; NDP caucus anti-war work
1966-06Jun29	LSA Minutes: Demonstration against bombing of Hanoi; rail(?) strike plans

1966-07July6	LSA Minutes: Need for anti-war HQ at Niagara Falls action; NDP brass at caucus
1966-07July13	LSA Minutes: Anti-war park meeting, subscription drive
1966-07July20	LSA Minutes: Anti-war youth seminar; our lack of organization; Fair Play Cuba picnic
1966-07July27	LSA Minutes: Anti-war fraction line carried at meeting; rail (CBRT) strike strategy
1966-08Aug3	LSA Minutes: Aug. 6 demonstration strategy and program; rail strike begins
1966-08Aug10	LSA Minutes: Anti-war report of Niagara demonstration and future strategy; rail strike
1966-08Aug17	LSA Minutes: Trotsky memorial; Franz Lee at Alexander defense meeting; rail wildcat
1966-08Aug23	LSA Minutes: Policy for rail strike caucus; report on NDP anti-Vietnam action
1966-08Aug31	LSA Minutes: RD report on rail strike, our goals; split in anti-war, to form local groups
1966-09Sept7	LSA Minutes: Review of rail strike and caucus functioning; new local anti-war committees
1966-09Sept14	LSA Minutes: Withdrawal from Toronto cttee.; future strategy; set up rail militant caucus
1966-09Sept21	LSA Minutes: Demands of new anti-war committees being set up to bypass old one
1966-09Sept22	Letter to comrades re (delayed) branch conference Oct. 16; out-of-town members invited
1966-09Sept29	LSA Minutes: Muste anti-war meeting; Community Committees review; Ontario NDP-SC
1966-10Oct5	LSA Minutes: NDP left caucus convention strategy; Labor Council resolutions, Branch Conf.
1966-10Oct12	LSA Minutes: Branch conference plans; anti-war report; municipal election plans <i>(No branch conference minutes available –ed.)</i>
1966-10Oct19	LSA Minutes: anti-war teach-in and future City Hall rally; municipal election plans
1966-10Oct26	LSA Minutes: Anti-war campus HQ; Teamsters 938 elections; municipal elections strategy
1966-11Nov2	LSA Minutes: Anti-war meetings & leafleting; Union anti-injunctions slogan
1966-11Nov9	LSA Minutes: Anti-war Nov. 12 rally; conference policy; OFL convention, left support
1966-11Nov16	LSA Minutes: Memorial success; Quebec protest forum; Postal workers & rail militant slates
1966-12Dec14	LSA Minutes: Demonstration against Hanoi bombing; Militant rail slate
1966-12Dec21	LSA Minutes: Anti-war US consulate action; leafleting, Newsletter, professors committee

1966-12Dec28 LSA Minutes: Quebec Human rights committee; GE strike, union fraction

1966-LSA-Edmonton

1966-ab-06Jun3a ‘‘A socialist Manifesto for the NDP’’ from Alberta Socialist Caucus-NDY (NDP youth)

1966-ab-09Sept6 Alberta Labour clip: Letter from D.F. to the Editor re Quebec national question

1966-ab-09Sep28 LSA Edmonton Minutes: Anti-Vietnam-War report, NDP Socialist Caucus fund drive

1966-ab-10Oct6 LSA Edmonton Minutes: NDP-NDY high school campaign, Newsletter articles

1966-ab-10Oct12 LSA Edmonton Minutes: packed anti-war meeting elections debacle

1966-ab-10Oct19 LSA Edmonton Minutes: Trotskyism an issue in NDP-NDY

1966-ab-11Nov3 LSA Edmonton Minutes: NDP-NDY report campus events, *Left Report*, Anti-war

1966-ab-11Nov10 LSA Edmonton Minutes: NDP: attacks on LSA; Anti-war strategy for Nov. 12 action

1966-ab-11Nov15 LSA Edmonton Minutes: Report on Nov. 11-12 anti-war actions, red-baiting, strategy

1966-ab-11Nov25 LSA Edmonton Minutes : Anti-war policy discussions; literature; membership & contacts

1966-ab-12Dec2 LSA Edmonton Minutes: NDP-Socialist Caucus (expulsion) ; Anti-war strategy & slate

1966-ab-12Dec10 LSA Edmonton Minutes: Anti-war campus meetings; Question of Trotskyism in the NDP

1966-ab-12Dec16 LSA Edmonton Minutes: NDY-NDY SC activity, expulsion defense; Anti-war program

1966-ab-12Dec29 LSA Edmonton Minutes: NDP-NDY status report; Anti-war activities progress

1967-LSA-Toronto

1967-06June10 PC Minutes incl. Correspondence with Miller

1967-07July6 Plenum (CC) Meeting Minutes

1968-LSA-Toronto

1968-06June29 Minutes of Canadian Section Convention, Montreal

1968-10Oct30 Minutes: success of antiwar mobilization, arrests and defense campaign; NDP

MINUTES? L.S.A. TORONTO BRANCH, JANUARY 5, 1966

Chairman: MacKenzie Secretary: Blake Sgt/ Arms: Bannon

Minutes: Minutes of December 29th were adopted as corrected.

Attendance: White, Labouissiere, Pine, Dunn, George, Riel, Lynne, Crandall, Kent ~~at~~
absent with reason.

M/C that Smith and Wilfe be granted permission to leave the meeting early. It was mentioned that comrades who have to leave early should state reason and raise it with organizer before meeting begins.

Anti/War: Promising response reported to Herridge meeting on Viet Nam. A meeting of sponsors within the N.D.P. to be held tomorrow night, with many sponsors being on N.D.P. executives. S. Lewis promises to raise the matter at the forthcoming provincial council. One riding association has backed the meeting.

Educational report, past internal: Brown on Tasks and perspectives. Some comrades felt that not enough detail was supplied on certain areas. ~~There have been no~~
~~externalxxxxx~~ Externals, past: No external last week due to New Year holiday.

Future, Internals: the branch executive has not yet worked out a new program as yet, M/C that next week we have an internal on the nature of the State. Wilfe speaker.

Future, Internals: Friday 7th of January, film "Paths of Glory"
Friday 14th " " " Brown, Tasks and Perspectives of 1966
Friday 21st, Blake, Liberal Morality

Teamsters

Trade Union Report: ☒ Some danger of the strike not coming off, as 75% majority needed. However, the elected negotiators have agreed to sign leaflet criticizing the conciliation board report. ~~Car~~ Car Men's local: a meeting coming up next

wednesday will discuss the labour code and the issue of statutory holidays. Labour Council: the nationalization of the C.P.R. will be discussed, a report will come down on the issue of a general strike to support the I.T.U., and nominations will be given for the new executive. C.B.R.T.: the issue of the Canadian Labour

Council convention and how voting will proceed is being discussed in this local. The Trade union alliance will meet at 2:00 at Connolly's. Topic discussed will be the Crisis on the railways. Pensions: The trade union caucus discussed

pensions and came down with the following recommendations: 1. that the questions

of pensions must be negotiated. 2. that we oppose integration, as the government gains control of monies rather than the unions. 3. That the same benefits could be attained if the pensions were stacked and the pensions negotiated. 4. that the N.D.P. has to make a statement.

N.D.P.: An N.D.P.-N.D.Y. fraction meeting will be held the first Monday of each month. Plans have been made to divide the caucus into committees to begin work on issues that will be raised at the convention in March. Studies will be made and resolutions worked out. It was also reported that we now have comrades in 9 clubs. Protest letters are to be sent out re. proposed NDP razzle-dazzle campaign. Next fraction bulletin to be out January 16th, featuring Viet Nam. A socialist caucus meeting will be held January 23rd, to begin to draw the caucus together again.

~~DELETE~~ Social: Profit made, good time had by all at New Year's social, despite lack of organization. ~~It was suggested that guidelines for socials~~
be set up, and that an experienced comrade be on hand to organize all day before a social of this nature.

Anti/war: It was pointed out that comrades have to stand by for increased escalation of the war following Washington's phoney "peace feelers". The question of holding a prior demonstration warning of the escalation was raised, discussed, and referred to the executive. The YND has called for a march on Ottawa at Easter, and a committee has been set up.

New Business: F.P.C.C.: Reception held by ambassador last night, with special invitation to Kent. Kent was also invited to Ottawa. A poem of Acorns is to be published by the committee, and work is going ahead on the pamphlet on women in Cuba. There will be a caucus this Saturday.

Moved that, in the absence of the speaker for tonight's educational, we have a hatbox. Defeated.

Comrades reminded to get mail in box. Meeting adjourned 9:50.

Minutes of Toronto Branch L.S.A. January 12th 1966

Chairman: Sands Secretary: Mack Sgt. At Arms Bannon

Minutes: Minutes of January 5th meeting adopted with the deletion as moved by Kent and carried by branch.

Correspondence: The secretary read a letter from Vancouver Branch

Attendance: Absent with reason: Paul, Bates, Riel, Earl, Anderson, White, Grant

Report on Branch Personnel: Brown outlined the areas of Branch work which requires re-organization. The following recommendations were adopted :-

- 1) Membership Cttee; The addition of two comrades to this work. Cttee. now consists of Cotton, Pryce, Connolly & Macdonald, Brown, Chr.
- 2) Social Cttee. Addition of two comrades - Luff to be released for other work
- 3) Educational Work Mack to do only minimal work in N.D.P and concentrate on educational work.
- 4) Executive Cttee. Comrade Earl co-opted on the E.C. for three months.

Educationals- Past Report External - Film Paths of Glory. It was reported that while the content of film was excellent, the reels were shown out of sequence. It was recommended that in future films should be viewed in advance by comrade familiar with film.

Future: External Friday 14th Jan. Tasks & Perspectives 1966 Speaker Brown
 Friday 21st Jan. Liberal Morality " Blake
 Internal Wed. 19th Jan. The State Speaker Wolfe

Educational Massen on African Document

Trade Union Report: Edwards reported on situation in C.B.R.T. & the possibilities ~~at~~ for ~~strikes~~ preparing for strike action.

Teamsters Report on Teamsters situation given by Edwards and supplemented by Cameron. Discussion revealed situation still ~~tenuous~~ tenuous although prospects for building alternative leadership are good. Cameron reported strong possibility of his becoming shop steward. Toronto & District Labour Council Edwards reported on Nomination Meeting. White to run for President - Green Connolly, & Edwards for E.C. Trade Union comrades to discuss whether or not to put out sleight. Typo's Connolly reported that the question of general strike in support of typo's to come before C.L.C.

Anti-War Massen ~~reported~~ /projects now under way and outlined their content.
 Feb 12 Sympathy Demonstrations in support of U.S. ~~Masses~~.
 Feb. 5th or 12th. N.D.P. Meeting on Viet Nam
 Feb. 19th Meeting/Conference - Herridge will attend - ~~Masses~~
 other participants include VOW, SCM, SUPA. - L.S.A. and YND will participate in political workshop.

N.D.P Connolly reported on meeting of sponsors of N.D.P. meeting on Viet Nam. St Paul's and N.York added to the list of sponsors. Following a lengthy discussion on the nature of the meeting, and the importance of the time factor, a motion to postpone this meeting to March 4th was defeated.

Social Cttee. Sands reported - following recommendations adopted :-

Valentine Dance - joint Y.S.F. and L.S.A. to be held February 12th.

Social to be held in March to tie in with Educational Week-end.

May Day Banquet to be held April 30th - suggested speaker J. Barnes Y.S.A.

N.B. ~~Anti~~ Anti-War caucus to be held Saturday.

Calendar Read - meeting adjourned 11.15.

Minutes of Toronto L.S.A. Branch January 19th 1966

Chairman : Paul

Secretary : Mack

Sgt. At Arms: Knight

Minutes of January ~~21~~ 12th adopted as corrected.

Membership & Contacts: M/C that B.M. be accepted as member of the Branch

Attendance: Absent with reason : Lynne, Massen, Dunfield, Kendall

Educationals- Past report External. Mack reported on Brown's external "Tasks & Perspectives 1966". Lack of emphasis on the importance of Forums - poor attendance in recent weeks - comrades urged to correct this.

Past report Internal - Connolly & Brown reported that Massen educational on African document was valuable.

Future Externals:

Jan. 21st Capitalism Today

Jan. 28th Liberal Morality

Feb. 5th Britains Labour Govt.

Feb. 11th 2nd World War

Feb. 18th China

Speaker: Kent Chr: Cotton

" Blake " Bannon

" Paul " Brown

" Kent -

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Future Internals: M/C we have series of four educational on economics beginning February 2nd, and that committee of four be struck off to make subject matter more topical. Kent Brown, Connolly & Earl elected.

Jan. 26th Bolshevik Foreign Policy. Speaker MacDonald.

Educational - given by Wilfe on The State.

N.D.P. Connolly gave progress report on N.D.P. Viet Nam meeting. If rumour that party intend to hold a meeting same time is substantiated, we shall cancel present plans - if nothing definite emerges we shall proceed.

Trade Union: Edwards reported developments in Postal Workers Union. T.D.L.C. elections - comrades will not present separate sleight with the exception of White who will put forward the demand that the N.D.P. run in municipal elections in his leaflet. Teamsters: Report on the situation in the teamsters given by Edwards - our line is for a ~~xxx~~ an industry-wide strike in opposition to the one-firm-at-a-time tactic.

Anti-War

Brown gave progress report on Meeting/Conference on 19th February. From this conference we should press for maximum participation in Ottawa march. Anti War caucus to discuss this further.

New Business: Bannon gave a report on the re-organization of the youth - the main emphasis being on internal consolidation and educational work. MacKenzie reported on High School activity and contacts. Report adopted.

Vanguard Circulation - Edwards urged comrades to make better use of the paper, and report meetings at which paper can be sold.

Demonstration - Brown gave preliminary report on demonstration to be held Saturday to protest ~~xxx~~ Epton case in U.S.A.

Calendar read - meeting adjourned 11.5

MINUTES? L.S.A. TORONTO BRANCH, JANUARY 26, 1966

Chairman: Connolly Secretary: Dunfield Sgt-Arms: Sands

Minutes: Minutes of January 19th adopted as read

Membership & Contacts: Brown welcomed B.M. into the Branch M/C that A.S. be accepted as a member of the Branch. Brown has written a letter to E.G. requesting an appointment to discuss the movement, his relationship to it and his work.

Attendance: Absent with reason: Knight, Smith, Mackenzie, Jones

Educationals: Past report internal: Wolfe on the State - Kent commented that the failure of the educational was in part the Branch's responsibility, that ~~the~~ someone should have talked with him about it and helped him prepare it - that in general it was ill-prepared

Past Report external: Kent on "Capitalism Today"-
Grant reported it was excellent and that comrades should
keep their comments from the floor short.
Brown pointed out the poor attendance by comrades

Future External: m/c that the FALN film be shown
~~to me~~ at 8, Jan. 30
 m/c that Ruby be chairman

Future Internals:

m/c that the four educational on economics be

- 1- Marx as an economist speaker -Earl
2. The Labour theory of value and its critics ,speaker
McQuire
3. The relationship between wages and crises - speaker-Leon
4. " -B.

Educational: Macdonald

Trade Union Report: Teamsters: The Tibeault-Merritt forces ~~are~~ moving have a chance of winning the next elections -the trustee has been forced to appoint a rank-and file strike committee

Teamsters: Johnson has used the centre to ~~break~~break the left, the strike is not spreading, elections are next week and Macdonald probably won't be reelected. we should

1. -attempt to spread the strike
2. -take the position no contract -no work
3. -distribute a leaflet with this position

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Minutes of Toronto Branch L.S.A. February 2nd 1966

Chairman : White

Secretary: Mack

Sgt. At Arms: Cotton

Minutes of January 26th adopted as read.

Attendance: Absent with reason - Riel, Grant, Ruby, Kent

Membership & Contacts The organizer welcomed A. into the branch. Brown reported that contacts in Hamilton will be visited shortly.

Educationals Past Reprt External : Leblanc commented that Blake's external on Liberal Morality was very good both in content & delivery. MacGuire & Connolly commented on the general atmosphere at the Forums - comrades should be more conscious of contacts - more aggressive in selling subs to the paper. The Chairman should outline future activities clearly, and with enthusiasm.

Past Report Internal : MacDonald on "Bolshevik Foreign Policy. Mack commented it was excellent educational.

Future External Line-up as adopted : -

Feb 4th Castro's attack on Trotskyism

Speaker Kent Chr. Brown

Feb.11 Britains' Labour Government

" Paul Chr. Brown

Feb.18 No external due to N.D.P. Viet Nam Mtg. & Anti-War mtg. on 19th

Feb.25 China

Speaker Sands.

Future Internal

Feb.9th Trade Union Alliance Speaker Edwards

Feb.16th 2nd in Series of Economics: Labour Theory of Value & Critcs. MacGuire

Feb.23rd Yugoslavia Speaker MacKenzie

Feb.30th 3rd in Series of Economics . Speaker Leon ✓

Educational Week-end Outline of educational week-end given by Brown. The venue will be the Teamsters Hall. Brown stressed that this week-end will be a valuable educational experience.

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Educational 1st of Series on Economics - What is a Commodity - Speaker Earl.

Anti-War : Massen reported on details of the Meeting/Conference of the 19th, and outlined panel structure. Our direction will be for some alliance out of the workshops, leading to a Metro and finally a national organization on Viet Nam. Reported Adopted. Brown reported on the ~~KPM~~ demonstration which took place Monday on the resumption of air attacks on N.Viet Nam. Dispute with other sponsors re.literature - it was an error on our part to agree to compromise statement.

N.D.P. Connolly reported on N.D.P. Viet Nam Meeting. The Socialist caucus meeting to be held Sunday - it will discuss bulleting - Provincial Convention, and T.A.C. A.G.M. February 7th N.D.P. fraction meeting - priority for all comrades involved in N.D.P.

Trade Union : Brown reported on Teamsters strike - our policy of "no contract - no work" has been accepted - leaflet met with good response and morale is high. Position of the International outlined - it is possible Hoffa will try to ram through settlement. Mass meeting will be pushed to re-inforce question of "no reprisal" issue. Edwards reported on situation in C.B.R.T. and forthcoming demonstration of C.U.P.E. White commented on type strike in Toronto and the role of the leadership. Connolly commented that the situation in Oshawa qualitatively different - injunction situation key - . Trade Union fraction to meet after branch to discuss Labour Council meeting - and tactics for the meeting.

Social Earl reported that a leaflet has gone out for the St Valentines Dance on the 12th - comrades urged to ensure we have good attendance.

N.B. Brown requested that comrades inform the centre of any forthcoming meetings

ALAN PAR READ MEETING ADJOURNED 10:40 PM.

① Minutes of Toronto Branch L & A Feb 9th 1966 (1)
Chairman Frank G. Secretary Brian D. Sgt at Arms

Minutes - discussion on anti-war section & then adopted.

Correspondence - notification that we have opened a new postal address in Edmonton.

~~Membership & contacts.~~

Attendance - Absent with reason - Karen C.,
Lyle S., Bea B., Hans M., Peter H., Fred C.,
Harry S., Harry P., & Dennis.

Membership & Contacts

Art Young reported on contacts Fletcher & Ernst
Goddammer who he met & had discussions with
in Hamilton. He didn't have opportunity to contact
Ned Dimitrie.

Don Donnelly reported on young contact Ken Dickson
in St. Catharines.

Agenda For Meeting Adopted

(2) External Report Past.

(2)

- Ross Dowson On A Attack by Castro on Trotskyism
- its was well presented with a good attendance
- J Steele felt too much that the chairman made a too lengthy contribution
- Helen Olsen felt that we should of had an internal 1st because of different evaluations of comrades.
Jesse Mac Kenzie made point of comrades being more aggressive towards contacts at forums.

Past Internal

- Given by Irma Orchard on Marx as an Economist
She gave educational considerable thought & preparation but overstated development of capitalism.
J. Steele suggested that comrades were insufficiently prepared for educational as indicated by the discussion afterwards

Future External

- Feb 18 no external due to N.D.P. & Viet Nam meetings
Feb 25 On China speaker Sands

Intervals

~~speaker to night Edwards on I U Alliance~~

Future Internal

- Feb 16 2nd in Series on Economics Labour Theory of Value
& critics McGuire

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③ Feb 23 on Yugoslavia speaker MacKenzie (3)
Feb 30 3rd in Series on Economics speaker Leon
Educational Weekend - no further report.

Trade Union Report by Edwards
C.U.P.E. - Myer is on slate with left wingers, he will
contest position of President
local 26 Pat Brain will retain job.

F.D.L.C. - our comrades played good role in discussion
on Guild pickets in Oshawa & attempted to relate labour
support of this strike to its lack of support for the
A.F.U. strike in Toronto.

John Steele & Ed Stream elected to attend C.L.C.
convention

Jim Engelschuk has dropped out of F.D.L.C. due to job
switch

Jerry Houle reported the he & comrade George Bryant
had been elected to F.D.L.C.

Teamsters - Hoffa's role was discussed & who Faggart
reacted to him. The companies have offered union
7 cent increase & 6 more months on contract. The
strike committee is better organized now. Teamsters
have set up picket to close down Motorways Transport.
~~Discussion~~ by Ross Downson on ~~what~~ perspectives
& role of comrades Dennis & Harry & suggestion
that the Trade Union Alliance move in more on
things

(4) Jim's report carried
Women's auxiliary of teamsters active & sponsoring movie
that night.

Financial

Report by Carson that Dues payments of last 2 months
have been falling & that comrades should try to
catch up on them also, ~~that~~ new comrades make
pledges. suggestion report adopted.

Edwards gave Educational on F.U.A. Alliance
Art made proposal concerning aspect of Jim's
report that was referred to Executive

Fair Play Our comrades had discussion on
implications of Castro's attack & had prepared a
draft statement which they intended to ^{present} ~~get accepted~~
at the next meeting of F.P.C.C. exec & which
was read to branch. which if adopted will
be presented to general public.

Helen Olsen presented a motion that the word
reassess be changed to repudiate. — this was defeated

N.D.P. reported J.S. ^{teel} — mention was made
of lead article in N.D.P. paper on radicals & its
implications. The N.D.P.'s position on Viet Nam
was mentioned & comrades were urged to move out
& present specific criticisms

(5)
We will send out letter to NDP bulletin readers regarding our proposals. we will utilize question period to expose NDP leaders positions on Feb 18 ^{meeting} ~~meeting~~ & comrades were urged to prepare for ^{in caucus} ~~Feb 19~~ NDP convention of anti War meeting

We The Branch was informed that ~~com~~ Cliff Buckard & Sheila & J Steele have received NDP membership cards
J Steele's report was adopted.

Anti War Reporter Art.

Preparations going ahead for upcoming convention
We will participate in demonstration on Feb 12 concerning actions by SNCC and its appeal.

Proposals ^{regarding} ~~on~~ our utilization of Triddec for future actions & pointing out necessity to build ~~that~~ it.

Social Irma reported on progress being made on St Valentine's Day social Feb 12.

New Business

Calendar read

Meeting adjourned about 11.10 PM

MINUTES OF ISA TORONTO BRANCH FEBRUARY 16, 1966.

CHAIRMAN *Bannon* *Shane* *Paul*
SEC. *Paul*
SGT-AT-ARMS *Paul*

MINUTES: *Dunfield* was absent with reason, Feb. 9. Adopted as corrected.

ATTENDANCE: Absent with reason: *Saunders Mackenzie* — *Knight, Smith, O'Connor*

AGENDA: Adopted.

ANTI-WAR: *Brown* reported. Discussion. The Feb. 19 Meeting Conference is the key area for Viet Nam action. All comrades must attend this. Following are the Conference work-shops, our division of labor within them and our chairmen:

Political Action	the NDP fraction	Chairman, <i>Kent</i>
Anti -War groups	the expelled	Chairman, <i>Brown & Mason</i>
Trade Union	trade union comrades	Chairmen <i>Edwards & Conolly</i>
Religious groups	<i>Leblanc Labossiere</i>	<i>Earl</i>

M-C that we attempt to swing the OYND convention *and the conference* behind the March on Ottawa date *March 26*

Discussion on absense from Branch of *Mason*

M/C a special meeting of comrades Feb. 17 for thorough discussion of the Conference.

Report adopted as ammended.

Questions on the organization of the last TIVDC demonstration. Referred to the exec.

PAST EXTERNALS: "The Labor Party in Britain" by *Paul*. While well and thoroughly presented, it was suggested that the educational had attempted to deal with all the points in question thus cutting into floor discussion.

PAST INTERNALS: *Edwards* On TUA. "Excellent".

FUTURE EXTERNALS: "China". Speaker Sands; chairman Cotton. Feb. 25.

FUTURE INTERNALS: Feb. 23 - "Yugoslavia"; speaker MacKenzie.
Feb. 30 - Third in Economics series. Speaker Leon.
"Against the War in Viet Nam. Suggested speaker, *Referred to exec.* *Mason*

poor attendance. In other areas the social was well prepared. Discussion on dropping the band. Report adopted.

YOUTH REPORT: Given by Crandell. ~~Adopted~~. It was requested that non-youth comrades be sensitive to Youth security matters. Report adopted.

NEW BUSINESS: Sands reported. Report adopted.

CALENDER: FEB 17 Spadina NDP meeting
TDLC Meeting
Youth OYND fraction meeting

Feb 18 OYND Convention
Lewis' Viet Nam speech

Feb 19 Meeting Conference. 9:30 AM Carpenter's Hall
OYND Convention.

Feb 20 Exec Meeting
Clean-up of Headquarters 1:30 PM

Feb 21 StPaul's NDP

Feb 22 Free

Adjourned 11:05 P.M.

Chairman, Bannon,

Seargent of Arms: Paul

Minutes: adopted as read

Attendance: absent with reason: C.O., Bates, Mack, Johnes, Mackenzie, Martin, Dunfield
Cameron, D.C., Knight, Luff, Smith, Saunders,

Agenda: adopted with Antiwar placed into first position

1) Antiwar: Vietnam Conference

- was generally judged as success, although our aims were not totally achieved, namely that of a single antiwar movement, but only of a Co-ordinating Committee of existing organizations.
- new elements from NDP, YND and trade unions were attracted, effecting a non-exclusionist atmosphere
- slogans as "Stop the War" and condemning U.S. aggression and Canadian complicity were adopted
- the pamphlet and the Ottawa march on March 26 were significant gains
- action rather than information was stressed
- it was significant that the Rel. group criticized the World Council of Churches of not going far enough.

Future Action:

- NDP riding associations should back march and try to organize buses,
- a series of Newsletters should lead up to march and integrate new elements into movement as to unify it over the old divisions
- the movement has to be made to understand the basic underlying issues, of which the military alliances are an important instrument
- Kent recommended that the executive prepare a future policy statement
- Report was adopted

2) Membership and Contacts

- J.Y. and A.C. asked to join; the exec. recommended they be accepted, rec. adopted

3) Educationals

- a) Past external - cancelled because of Lewis Meeting
- b) Past internal - Labour Theory of Value, speaker: Macquire
 - Brown and Crandall felt that theories should be given in the light of today's realities.
 - more guidance should be given for these educationals
 - Kent felt the basic theories should be given in as simple terms as possible.
- c) Future externals:

Feb. 25: China, speaker: Sands, chairman: Cotton

March 4: Present State of Antiwar Movement; speaker: Massen, chairman: Crandall

11: Indonesia, speaker: Ruby, chairman: Kent

18: Labour's Tasks, CLC Convention, speaker: Cameron, chairman: Sands

25: Racism in Canada, speaker George, chairman: open

d) Future Internals:

March 9: Castro's speech, speaker: Sands or alternative

- e) Weekend: all comrades and contacts should attend; it will be very important for both following mainspeech, small internal discussion groups, with a leader in each are to take place.

4) Dues and Pledges

5) Educational

Jugoslavia, speaker: Mackenzie

5) Trade Union Report

- 50 unionists were at the Vietnam Meeting
- Labour Council adopted policy to pose Labour Candidates in NDP as mun. candidates
- Taggart spoke at TDLC meeting
- Teamsters: situation is very critical, it is important to turn tide, to stirr militants and to involve rank and file; negotiations on precarious grounds; a bosses' offer was expected
- in Women's auxiliary cliques and stacking is factor; the problem was referred to "U.frac.

7) Youth

- YND Convention: coordinating committee for Ottawa March elected; constitution was amended on discipline: Expulsions can only take place if documented proof of membership in other pol party was presented. Left Caucus operated well and smoothly.
- ~~in-21-member-exee.~~ Pol. Clubs for Highschools was put on Bd. of Educ. Agenda

8) Social

- weekend will include ~~entertainment~~ and social and entertainment
- Macdonald recommended that executive consider having socials on a bimonthly basis.

9) NDP

- Lewis meeting: dominated by liberal bourgeois U.S. line; justifiable in terms of House of Commons but not Toronto atmosphere; 400 were present

10) Calendar11) Adjourned

11.45 pm

chairman Connolly Secretary Craft

attendance absent with reason Sands, Luff, Jordan, Ruby

minutes adopted as read

correspondence National Convention Call

National Fund Drive (tabled to New business)

membership and contacts m/c to accept C.O. into branch

m/c to have serious talks with J.T. towards recruitment

" with H.B.

anti-war report by Massen on M 26 M

report by Connolly on NDP and M 26 M

-discussion of relation of NDP to co-ordinating committee

m/c to make M-26/M a branch priority

to formally constitute an anti-war fraction

to move McGuire full time into march activity

Educationals

past internal B.M. on Economics

-note that it was departure from the original

outline and we should return to original series

external Art Young on anti-war movement

future internal, external lineup same as previously adopted.

m/c to drop forum on Mar. 25 in favor of co-ordinating committee social

Financial report by Kendall -16 comrades in bad standing

Educational March on significance of Castro's anti-"Trotskyist" speech

Trade Union reports by Edwards and Cameron

-teamsters' strike still solid

-struggle against administration coming to a head with the

arbitrary appointment of a new executive flagrantly violating

the wishes of the membership.

2.

NDP report by Connolly

-letter sent to socialist caucus asking them not to use NDP initials on bulletin

m/c to delay reply until more information of reason for attack received

-questions to be raised at provincial council meeting

-letter to socialist caucus

-need for representative to visit co-ordinating committee

-party's letter to Gas Volentino ~~and~~ concerned NDPers
about

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Chairman; Lynne Sgt. Arms: Bannon

Minutes; not available. M/C that they be dropped to the bottom of the agenda.

Correspondence: A letter from the anti-war fraction in consultation with the political committee was read regarding the March 26th march. M/C that we refer the letter to anti-war on the agenda.

Attendance: AWR: Maxwell, Grant, ~~Dine~~. M/C that Harry and wife be granted leave of absence for 6 weeks.

Membership and contacts: Youth comrade Moore was welcomed into the branch.

M/C that anti-war be dropped down in the agenda in the absence of Massen.

N.D.P. At the last provincial council meeting, a motion was read concerning the responsibilities of membership, stating that premission of the executive must be sought before the NDP initials are used, or before groups are established, and that disciplinary action would be taken against groups who did not do this. A discussion took place around the forthcoming socialist caucus bulletin, in light of the letter the executive has sent to the caucus asking them to drop the initials "NDP" from the masthead. It was decided by the branch that the next issue of the bulletin would go out as usual, using the party name, but that the issue of the bulletin would report the receipt of the letter, and explain that a discussion would be held on the matter within the socialist caucus, and that the next issue would report the decision of the caucus on the matter. The letter from the executive was to be included in the bulletin, and we will make an educational statement on it.

~~Trade Union~~ Local II2; the local is advocating that a full slate of candidates run in the Metro election. Referred to N.D.P. fraction.

Educational reports: Past external, Ruby on Indonesia. A good job was done on the topic. Past ~~internals~~: Mack on Cuba. some comrades felt that nothing new was added by the educational.

Future, Externals: A film on the F.A.L.N. will be held April 1st. M/C that a talk on guerilla warfare be given with the film.

M/C that Adair give a forum on the British elections, April 8th.

Future internals: M/C that Adair give a talk on the situation in Great Britain. M/C that the last in the series of economics be moved back to April 6th, and that the Quebec document be presented March 30th.

Cotton speaker.

Financial Report: Many comrades behind, names read out.

Anti-War: After much discussion, it was moved and carried that we adopt the line of the letter referred from the anti-war fraction which is generally that we press for the formation of independent committees to oppose the war in Viet Nam. Comrades urged to take immediate action along these lines.

Trade Union: Greene waged an excellent campaign for president, and lost by only 8 votes. A re-~~election~~ is being demanded. 3 of his slate were elected.

Veit Nam committee: So far the C.P. is co-operating with our line, although the N.D.P. is red-baiting the committee. Labour Council: the communications workers are going to move a resolution that an N.D.P. organizer be taken on staff of the labour council. T. U. Alliance; Meeting April 3rd on Veit Nam. Local II2. ~~White~~ lost the post of Vice-president, but is offered a chance to move to Douglas aircraft where there are newer workers. Local #26: A major move is underway to oppose the hiring of casual help, which breaks strikes and violates the contract. cPryce and Edwards on local 26th May Day committee. Teamsters: A meeting was held last Sunday, without the presence of Taggart or Tibault, and we still do not have an effective caucus. There is the possibility of talks with Smith of the C.N.R. Our line is to elect an executive from the ranks to oppose the trusteeship.

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New Business: Financil drive; the executive has accepted as our amount for the fund drive for the Vanguard \$2000.00. M/C that this amount be accepted and that Saunders be director. Pledges taken .

M/C that Scott be granted permission to remain in Montreal, and the she be transfered there for an indefinite period.

Quebec Committee: comrades were reminded of the membership meeting at York university this Friday night.

Connolly ~~XXXXX~~ drew the comrades attention to the new Vanguard, which covers all our feilds of activity.

Calender read by Brown, meetings adjourned, 11:15

Minutes of the Toronto L.S.A. ~~February~~ March 24/66

Chairman: Sands Sgt/Arms: Evans

Minutes: The minutes of March 9th were read, and the minutes of March 16th were adopted as corrected.

Correspondence: A letter from the anti-war fraction was referred to the Anti-war section of the agenda.

Attendance: Saunders, Smith, Dicarlo, Jones, Jordan, Earl, Knight, Pine, ~~Laboissiere~~ Laboissiere, ~~Pierre~~ absent with reason.

Executive: Nominations were placed before the branch to fill Scott's place on the executive. M/C that two persons rather than one be elected to fill this place. MacDonald and Earl were nominated by the executive, and elected for the post.

Trade Union: M/C that it be dropped down the agenda in the absence of Edwards.

Educationals: past report. Cameron on the teamster strike. The subject was covered throughly, but a bit academic. Past report, internal. ~~Dependancy~~ Rent expressed the view that this internal on economics was the best of the series so far.

Future, externals: Since the Anti-war social for this Friday has been canceled, ~~John~~ Ramsey was invited to speak. Brown is to chair the meeting, and to make a statement on the march. Paul elected chairman for the Forum by Adair on the British elections. Future internals: lined up.

Financial Drive: Pledges have now come to just under \$4,000.00. Pledges were taken ~~for the~~ from the rest of the comrades.

May Day Banquet: Barnes from New York will be speaking. M/C that tickets ~~will~~ be distributed immediately.

Trade Union report: The labour Committee on Veit Nam has met, Gallagher president. An aim is to raise the issue in the Labor Council to strengthen their stand ~~on the war~~.

The Trade Union Alliance will meet April 3rd to discuss Veit Nam.

Post Office: the recount of the vote for Greene for president showed that he lost by only 2 votes. Plans are now being made to form a working caucus, and there are possibilities of meeting with Houle to form a national opposition. The trade union fraction meet tomorrow night.

Teamsters: Mood of the strikers is still strong, back-to-work petition torn up by strikers. Cameron has begun to re-allocate work, and the C.P. caucus seems to have collapsed, all of which makes the possibilities of our forming a caucus for stronger. Our main line is to urge mass demonstrations from other unions in the O.F.L.

Workers are proposing a general work stoppage to protest Rowntree's anti-labour statements...comrades urged to urge labour council to consider a one day work stoppage.

Anti/war: It was moved and carried that the letter from the anti-war fraction read and filed. Brown reported that the C.P. has already started lobbying for a co-ordinated committee of already existing peace groups, which we oppose, favoring instead independant committees, and a call has gone out already to begin pushing for the formation of such committees. So far we know of delegates from Vancouver and Alberta who will speak in favor of this. Our aims are: to arrange for leading people to stay over in Ottawa to discuss further action: to arrange that discussion bullitens be put out, preparing for a conference of anti-war forces opposing the war in Veit Nam in the fall or summer. It was reported that an independant headquarters for the Veit Nam day in Vancouver have been set up in the city. M/C to adopt the line of the report. In the N.D.P., disciplinary action has been threatened against those who co-operate with the co-ordinating committee, but Lewis and other important figures have signed the statement in the Ottawa citizen. A division of labour was worked out in regards to selling the Vanguard, YSF, the Ward and Veit Nam phamplet. M/C that this activity be a branch mobilization, and that comrades who cannot attend check with Brown. There will be a demonstration in Toronto at 1:00.

New Business: The matter of the last Quebec committee ~~meeting~~ was referred to the executive.

Cslander read by Brown, meeting adjourned, 11:00

Minutes of the Toronto L.S.A., March 30th, 1966

Chairman: Paul Sgt. Arms: Evans

Minutes: the minutes of March 24th were adopted as corrected.

Attendance: Whitton, Ruby A.W.R. M/C that we seat J.T. at this meeting.

Membership and Contacts: Brown reported that discussions are being held as regards the reallocation of personnel in the Youth and League, and that there will be a full report on this next week. Pryce reported on three contacts that he and MacDonald had been visiting.

Anti-War: A full report and discussion was held on last week's March to Ottawa. General conclusions were that the march was a victory, drawing out many non-aligned forces, and with a free atmosphere, marked by a lack of red-baiting. Literature sales were extremely successful, with over 200 Vanguards, over 100 Warde pamphlets and 250 YSF sold, as well as other literature. Massen announced an anti-war fraction meeting.

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~~had been defeated in the march itself.~~ Brown gave a report on the meeting
that followed the March in Ottawa. Although our comrades were in the majority,
many of these comrades represented mandated peace groups so that even after
several elements from Toronto left, the meeting remained fairly representational.
Despite a feeling that any discisions were premature, a Bulliten came out of
the meeting, to be put out by the Ottawa committee. It will have the formal
endorstation of 4 committees to begin with, and there will be correspondents from
across the country. It was also noted, that, in regards to the NDP-YND?
their line on the march was defeated in the March itself.
Educationals: Past reports, extended.

Educationals: Past reports, external. Ramsey on Viet Nam. Although the speaker did not appear, Brown's educational was very good although on short notice. It was pointed out that the attendance was excellent, and comrades felt that this indicated a desire among our contacts to hear some outside speakers. Referred to the educational director.

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Financial Drive: Further pledges were taken, and Kent stressed that a full campaign must be started, with a mailing, forum announcements, contact work done.

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Trade Union: M/C after some discussion, that we postpone the Gallagher T.U.L. Alliance meeting until he can participate, this is...

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U.A.W.: a resolution sent to the labour council preposing a full slate for the
municipal elections in co-operation with the N.D.P.

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Loc. #112: The P.A.C. has passed a resolution that no-one who is not an NDP member can attend the NDP ~~election~~ convention. Teamsters: Strikers opposed an ultimatum from Greene banning unauthorized meetings. After, McDougal modified the position by saying that meetings were not to be held only on pay days. Our line is still to stick to the original contract demands, and to involve the OFL. Cameron reported the militant picket of the OFL to oppose injunctions. New Business: Kent reported the important demand.

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May Day: the comr des were reminded that the banquet is only 1 month away.
Calander read by Brown, meeting adjourned. 11:00

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Minutes of the Toronto L.S.A., April 6, 1966

Chairman: McGuire Sgt. Arms: Paul

Minutes: The minutes of March 30th were adopted as corrected.

Attendance: Dunn, Brown, to be late, Mack, Pierce A.W.R.

Membership and Contacts: referred to New Business in the absense of Brown.

2 Educational reports: Past, internal. Cotton on the Brock Quebec document. Comrades felt that the essence of the document was presented well, but the comment was made that we must consider a longer time period for the discussion of pre-convention documents, and it was stressed that comrades must read these documents.

Past, external: Film on the F.A.L.N.: comrades felt that the film was excellent, and Kent suggested that we might try to get it on the C.B.C. Comrades noted the small attendance, though, and the feeling was that the publicity on forums has been poor lately. The matters of better mailings, phonings for important forums, and more attractive leaflets was referred to the executive and the educational committee.

Future, internals. Dicarlo is to be a speaker for the educational on the sliding scale of wages, which will include a discussion of price-fixing and inflation.

Future externals: We are lined up to April 22nd, and it was moved and carried that we hold an external on the C.P.S.U. congress. It was then M/C that we reverse the dates of the external on Racism and the Congress, so that the external on the C.P.S.U. will be held April 15th, and the forum on Racism April 22nd. Brown is to be the speaker on the 15th, and George is to be asked to chair.

Fund Drive Report: Saunders reported that we are far behind, with only \$114.00 collected so far, and with 9 in the branch left to pledge. Notices have been sent to contacts, and a list of contacts who will be visited has been drawn up. The youth has pledged \$1,000.00, \$218.00 of which has been collected. Comrades were reminded that cheques are acceptable, and further money was collected.

Financial report: Brown reported that we have been losing money over the past few months, and that comrades have fallen badly behind in their pledges and must catch up.

Anti-War: Massen reported that the co-ordinating committee has agreed to hold a rally on Saturday April 23rd, and also a conference at some later date. But the issue of one man, one vote committees met with opposition. The steering committee of the anti-war fraction will meet to discuss the tactics of putting forward our line on this question. Crandall reported on the progress of the anti-war bulletin that is to come out of the Ottawa march. The bulletin is well established politically, although there may be some technical difficulties to getting it out.

N.D.P.: The fraction of the N.D.P. met and came to the following conclusions: 1. that we will concede the use of the ~~bulletin~~ initials on the bulletin, raising no constitutional points but rather pointing out the kind of power the executive decisions gives them, and how it might be misused. We will, however, appeal the right to use the initials, in line with the executive motion. Secondly, as regards the Ontario caucus, we will hold more regular meetings, broaden the executive, and put more people on the editorial board. An initial meeting is to be held April 14th. 3. As Viet Nam, we propose that the Concerned New Democrats ~~must~~ not meet, but that the Socialist caucus will move out on this issue to awake the party to its responsibilities on this issue. 4. Jones has been suggested as a municipal candidate in St. Paul's. It was the fraction's decision that he not run due to the lack of a popular and programmatic base. 5. the fraction has elected a steering committee. Finally, a letter received from the NDP executive regarding the party stand on Viet Nam and the co-ordinating committee was read. In discussion of the report, the matter of running for the NDP as a candidate was referred back to the executive, as new matters were raised in discussion. Many comrades felt that we should be prepared to run on the NDP program. It was also reported that, in response to the red-baiting of the Committee of concerned New Democrats, Jones would circulate a letter to the Riding Associations containing the add in the Ottawa citizen with the signatures of the M.P.'s.

Personel: Brown reported that, in light to the large load of activity we are carrying and the amount of time wasted at branch meetings, steps have had to be taken to realocate the time of leading comrades, and some comrades

be moved from the youth into work in the League. Also, the various fractions will elect steering committees to guide the fractions and the fraction meetings. Saunders, Riel, and Smith will begin to concentrate more on League work, and Jones will move more into Anti-War

Minutes of the Toronto LSA April 6th cont....

Personel: cont. Luff will move out in the N.D.P., while MacDonald will try to involve new people in the Alexander committee and remain in this field ~~itself~~ herself. Maxwell will also move into the Anti war field. The personel of the Steering committee of the anti-war committee was reported. As regards branch meetings, shorter and more concise reports are necessary, and it was pointed up that not enough forces are interested in keeping up the machinery of the league.

Trade Union: ~~Teamsters; the teamsters have won a victory as the companies have conceded to many of their demands.~~ *(Companies have made a major offer)* The trade union caucus will meet after the meetings to discuss further tactics. Labour council: several important resolutions are coming up at the next meeting, one on elections and another on the 40 hour Work Week. Comrades urged to attend.

New Business: May Day social: Ticket sales are slow, and Kent pointed out that we have to regard this as a primary branch activity.

Membership and contacts: M/C that we accept comrades J.T. into the branch. Volunteers requested for a socialist caucus mailing after the meeting.

Calaender read by Brown, meeting adjourned 11:00

CONFIDENTIAL L.S.A. April 13th, 1966

Chairman: MacDonald Sgt. Arms: Bannon

Minutes: The minutes of April 6th were adopted as read

Attendance: Massen, Jones, McQuire, Lynne, *AWR*

Membership: Comrade J.T. was welcomed into the branch.

N.D.P.: Connolly reported that a widely publicized Socialist Caucus Meeting would be held soon, featuring discussion on The use of the NDP initials, Viet Nam, and a general report on the situation of the caucus.

Educationals: *Adair* on the British elections. Poor attendance, but good contributions from the floor were noted. Past, internal: Grant on economics series. While this last in the series was clear and to the point, comrades felt that the series as a whole lacked preparation by the comrades. Future, ~~external~~: It was M/G that we hold a forum on the Easter Rebellion on the 22nd, moving the forum on Racism in Canada back once more to the 29th. Blake to be speaker, Kent chairman. Future, internal. We are lined up to the 27th, by which time we should have new documents to discuss.

Financial Report: Brown reported that we are still badly behind in pledges and to a lesser extent in dues, and that we are still in the red.

N.D.P. Municipal Candidates: The executive recommends that the stand of the fraction on our comrades running as N.D.P. municipal candidates at present be reversed, and that comrade Pierce stand if nominated. This position was adopted by the branch.

Trade Union: There will be a meeting of the Trade Union alliance on Viet Nam this Sunday at 2:00.

Teamsters: Brown reported that we played a large role in the overwhelming Teamster vote for rejection of the contract., and that Cameron is now Chairman of the strike committee. At the moment, the rank and file is in control, but we can expect a confrontation by the trusteeship soon.

New Business: Fund Drive; Already there has been some response from the mailing, and the contact committee of the branch is moving in on the collection of money from closer contacts. This Sunday, there will be a mobilization of cars and people, for collections. Youth pledges are now up to \$1500.00

Youth: Cars will be available for people wanting to sell May Day banquet tickets next Thursday.

Store: Comrade Kent mentioned the attacks that have been made on the bookstore, and said that there was ample evidence that this was the work of the local Fascist group.

Calander read by Brown, Meeting adjourned, 10.20

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Chairman: MacDonald Sgt. Arms: Paul

Attendance: O'Connor, Laboissiere, Smith, White Bannon, Lynne and all campus comrades A.W.R.

Minutes: The minutes of April 20th were adopted as corrected.

Correspondence: Letters from comrade Kent regarding the Fund Drive and the Vanguard Trailblazers were read and filed.

Agenda: It was proposed that, in order to have more time ~~with~~ for the educational period, which is to be a discussion of a convention document, that Brown incorporate all reports into one organizers report. Motion carried.

Membership and contacts: Sands has requested an indefinite leave of absence. It was M/C that the league give Sands a 2 month leave of absence to assess her role in the movement. A letter is to be written to her by the executive.

Fund Drive: Again, we have gone over the top in pledges, but have collected only \$631.00 from the branch in cash...as opposed to the youth, who have collected \$1289.00. Comrades urged to pay up.

Social; May Day: preparations have been finalized. Volunteers requested for decorations. Other comrades assigned their duties.

Educationals: Past, external; Kent and Williams on the Master Rebellion. Comrades felt that this educational should have been taped, and felt that this possibility should have been foreseen.

Past, internal: Dunfield on the L.S.A. convention. Future, external: It was M/C that we have a film on May 6th, "Inherit the Wind". The Forum on socialist theory is to be moved back to the 13th. Paul suggested that we hold a round table external on the C.L.C. convention. Referred to the executive.

Trade Union: The teamsters are on their way to settlement. There is considerable sentiment that the union has won a victory over the bosses, although the financial terms of the agreement represent only a partial victory.

Postal Workers: It has been recommended by the executive that Green run for the post of a full-timer in his union. Carried by the branch, with a considerable feeling that he will win.

Fair Play for Cuba: The executive has discussed Fair Play and agreed that it most go on functioning, although less actively, despite recent developments in Cuba.

N.D.Y. 8 comrades have been suspended from holding executive posts in ~~NDY~~ the NDY, the pretext for these suspensions being that these comrades sold co-ordinating committee tickets to the March on Ottawa instead of NDY tickets.

Anti-war: Work for the May 7th rally is going ahead, with the main theme being Canadian complicity. There will be freedom of signs and literature.

New Business: The NDP fraction will meet Sunday night.

Calander read by Brown, meeting adjourned 10:55

Minutes of the Toronto LSA, May, 11th 1966

Maxwell...chairman/ Adair...Sgt. at arms.

Executive report by Art

Membership.....1) welcomed FFame into the branch
2) accept transfer from B.C. of R.B. for the duration of his stay.
3) m/c to seat U.F. for the meeting.

Fund Drive

m/c to close fund drive. \$300 outstanding. m/c that we turn over outstanding unpaid to treasurer to collect.

Tour report from P.C. that tour will consist of Brown, Craft, Moore and P.S. from Vancouver. Projected that tour will go out west and scheduled to leave June 1st.

Executive recommendations:- 1) Maguire will replace as organiser Brown
2) other executive adjustments to be made to compensate
3) Knight concentrate on Fair Play arena and branch work
4) Open up a few more forum speakers--specifically Massen & Mack
m/c to def

m/c to defer Knights situation until youth NEC have discussed
m/c to table question of opening up Massen and Mack until organiser has discussed the matter more fully with the comrades involved.

Discussion that Maguire will not be an open LSAer and that the exec. should consider that branch elections are due in four months and caution in changing the exec. is to be desired.

Convention.

m/c to post up agenda

Toronto branch entitled to 15 delegates and elections for these will be opened next week. Comrades behind in dues must pay so the branch can get the full quota of delegates. This is an internal convention but some close contacts will be invited at the discretion of the executive....all youth comrades are invited...all invitations must be checked first with the organiser. - FREE WILL BE \$5.00 FEE.

Tasks of the Toronto Branch for the convention

- 1) Billets...approx. 30
- 2) social on Saturday evening
- 3) Arrangements committee to be struck off.
Luff, Mack, Bill, Jordan, Evans struck off for the arrangements committee.

P.C. will consider discussion that neither Youth House nor Store is big enough and we should find alternative accommodation for the convention.

Educationals

Internal.....m/c to table proposed summer series on "History and Development of Democracy" until a more detailed outline can be brought down to the branch. Recommend that the educational comm. to consider also economic imperialism and the trends of imperialism.

External....line up as passed.

m/c Bannon is sick so Crandall to take forum this Friday evening. Professor Du Buc will speak on June 3 instead of Prof. Rioux on Quebec elections as Rioux is unable to attend and had recommended that Du Buc speak. We should consider getting a large hall and give broad publicity for this meeting.

Further on internal....tonite Powell on T.U. 1 document
next week 2 documents NDP and anti-war

elected speakers....NDP...Luff
anti-war..Massen

(ends)

Chairman-McGuire
Meeting started 8:05

Scty-Cotton

Nominations for Convention

- Statement by Brown on need to consider seriousness of nominations
- statement by Brown on differences between ~~the~~ rights of delegates and those of ~~the~~ alternates
- m/c that only members present, or who have earlier indicated their intention to stand, or who can be reached by telephone during this meeting, will be allowed to stand
- m/c that there be no plumping
- m/c that ~~nominations exceeding~~ top 15 nominations in the vote be declared the Toronto branch delegates

nominations were as follows;

Mack	Maxwell
McGuire	Grant
Brown Green	Edwards
Green	Ruby
Lynne	Craft
Jordan	Connoly
Cameron	Crandall
Jones	Bill
Pratt	Luff
Saunders	Macdonald

Massen

Executive Report

- Brown recommended ~~by~~ for the executive that Earl be dropped from the executive m/c
- m/c that the floor be opened to nominations for two executive posts
- Jones and Knight ~~xxx~~ elected

M&C

- Paul requested transfer to membership at large effective tonight: permission granted

Convention elections

elected as delegates: Mack, McGuire, Brown, Green, Cameron, Jones, Massen, Edwards, Crandall, Connoly, Lynne, Maxwell, ~~Green~~, Ruby, Macdonald, Luff

- m/c that there be three alternates, chosen from the top three nominations for delegates, after top ~~three~~ names indicated

m/c that they be numbered in order of votes: Grant, Pratt, Saunders chosen

meeting adjourned 11:05

Minutes of the Toronto L.S.A., May 25 1966

Chairman: Connolly Secretary: Blake Sgt. Arms: Evans

Minutes: The minutes of May 4th and 11th were adopted as read. "The minutes of May 17th were read as information."

Attendance: M/C that we seat comrades from out of town.

Membership and Contacts: Williams and Adair are to be transferred to Vancouver. The youth NEC has approved the transfer of Knight from youth to League work.

Educationals: Past reports: past, externals. Miller on the P.C. left. Past, internals. convention documents given by Kent and Adair

Future, external: The importance of the DuBuc forum to be held this Friday in the Carpenters hall was stressed to comrades. Kent chairman. On June 3rd, there will be a tour send-off meeting: Brown, speaker. Knight is to be asked to chair. A forum on Socialism and Manis proposed for June 10th. Election of speaker before to New Business. Massen chairman. League

Future, internal: MacQuire will speak tonight on youth/~~party~~ relations. For June 8th, an educational on Lenin's pamphlet on the national question was proposed. Kent pointed out that ^{at} the convention ~~it was~~ decided not to raise a discussion on the ~~Quebec~~ question for the time being. Proposal defeated.

M/C that we refer the question of next weeks internal to New Business. The question of the summer series on the History of democracy was raised for the general approval of the comrades as no detailed plan is available yet.

M/C that we go ahead with this series. Park meetings: Park meetings to begin the second week in June. Luff in charge.

Educational: Two proposals were made by MacQuire during the educational on Youth League relations 1. That the youth comrades in the League hold a fraction meeting 2. that some document be prepared clarifying this question for new recruits. Both motions were referred to the executive.

Anti-War: The Toronto co-ordinating committee has generally accepted our proposals that we hold a demonstration at Niagara falls on August 6th, co-inciding with the international days of protest. On July 1st or 4th there ~~will~~ ~~be~~ ~~a~~ ~~large~~ ~~scale~~ ~~action~~ there will be an action of some type basically building up to the August 6th protest. Jones and McWilliams are on a short tour of Western Ontario, during their vacation period, to assess the anti-war movement there and to organize support for the Ottawa newsletter.

Convention: The large attendance and fraternal atmosphere were noted.

Sub-Drive: M/C that MacDonald head the drive.

M/C that we accept the quota of 200 subs in four weeks.

M/C that the dates be from the 1st of June to the 1st of July. Thurs. first day.

New Business: Library: Sands has compiled lists of books that comrades have outstanding. These will be distributed, and comrades given a few weeks to return books, then a system of fines may be instituted.

NDF: The caucus which was to be held on May 31st has been canceled, a ~~fraction~~ ^{fraction} meeting is proposed for Monday night. Date of ~~fraction~~ meeting referred to the executive due to a meeting of St. Paul's riding.

Referred educationals: Forum on Socialism and Man; Flame will speak.

Next weeks educational: M/C that we hold an internal on the SLP as an example of sectarianism. Riel speaker. The question of the youth was referred to the executive as a possible external.

Connolly and MacQuire were granted a Leave of absence from June 3rd to June 21st. Balander read by Brown; meeting adjourned 10.40.

For immediate release

June 2, 1966

Toronto

Ross Dowson, sometime mayoralty candidate, announced this afternoon that he will speak in Allen Gardens on Sunday June 5, at 1 p.m.

The theme of Dowson's speech will be determined by the fact that Toronto fascist Beattie is speaking at 2 p.m. on the same day.

Dowson will deal not so much with the screwball fascists such as Beattie and his gang but the real genocidists --- the US military in Vietnam and the real anti-semites in high places in Canadian society such as the Montreal Stock exchange.

He will speak on labors' fight against injunctions and Government threats of compulsory arbitration --- the real threat to democracy.

The meeting is the first of a series to be held by the Young Socialist Forum which has invited Dowson to speak.

Ross Dowson,
1 Cumberland Street, Toronto 5.
922-6665

Minutes of the Toronto L.S.A., June 18, 1966

Chairman: Jones Secretary: Dunnfield Sgt. at arms: Ruby

Agenda adopted

Minutes: June 1, 1966 minutes read and adopted as information

Attendance: a/c - Luff, Blake, Spark, Laboissiere, Pine, Kendall, Edwards, Powell

Educationals

Past External: Brown on China and Vietnam: did not ~~want~~ give the tour speech as was publicized- he should have developed the role of the Russian bureaucracy on Vietnam further, the attendance showed comrades and contacts interest in the tour

Future External:

for June 17th m/c that Bannon be chairman
June 24th m/c that Kent chair

m/c that the Series on the History of Democracy start on June 31 and continue every other Friday

m-c that the series be the History of Democracy as per attached outline

m/c that the question of Lynn being a public league spokesman *for the series* be referred back to the youth for further clarification of their position

m-c that the speakers for the series be: Ruby, Spark, Crandal, and Blake

m-c to have a forum on the recent developments in China on June 17 and to push the forum on Gordon's book back one week to allow for this.

m/c ~~xxxxxx~~ that either Kent or Crandal give the forum on China, and that the decision of who be left to them

Park Meeting: of June 4 - a success, the speakers effective, we are now trying to get a better spot to speak from in the park, it was pointed out that we need a discussion later on how to operate at future park meetings.
- we should have stayed to sell because the police had the beetl e meeting well under control

Externals:

Internals:

m/c for following:

July 22 - United Front vs. Popular Front (to include the theory of the Permanent Rev.)

speaker

July 29 - Role of the individual - (to made topical and relevant by use of immediate examples)

Stetson

undetermined

m/c to refer date of the beginning of the series to the Exec. because of the holiday weekend

Educational: Anderson on Sectarianism

Riel

Anti-war report given by Massen, adopted:

Aug 8 days of Protest: now has a world response, with 7 committees having responded in Canada to date
The main demand outside E Toronto will probably be Withdrawal of American Troops now - a more advanced slogan than the End the War Now call of the March protest
In Toronto: the emphasis will be on Canada with appeals to the Canadians to build their independent committees
an unity with the American anti-war movement to be demonstrated at the US-Can border points on Aug 6 (Hiroshima Day)

-the appeal has been written and agreed on by the Tornte committee, the program is still to be worked out - there is now abut 2 months to organize.

- a discussion is needed on how to best organize the various groups to get maximum participation.

- the key role of the Canada-Vietnam newsletter in the organization of the march and consolidation of independent committees was stressed

m /c to circulate the Canada-Vietnam newsletter along with the Vanguard on the sub drive with the understanding that we push subs to ix this newsletter as well.

Jones Reported on Anti-War aspect of his and J's Tour

the goals set up where accomplished:

to 1. build the newsletter, 2. get a readership for the newsletter
3. to stimulate independent committess both the newer and the established ones

Sarnia will now be building its independent committee around the Newsletter and the Niagara group will attempt to re-develop their committee around the newsletter

NDP- Jones reported - at the June 4 Provincial Council, the response of the caucus to dropping the initials from the Socialist Caucus: bulletin was handled factually without open hostility

NDP Tour: to contact Socialist caucus correspondents accomplished the following:

1. got two new newsletter correspondents from Sarnia and Peterborough
2. found contacts agreed that the ND^P bureaucracy had hardened and wanted political explanations for this (though the hardening was not as obvious outside Toronto)
3. The contacts are preparing for the convention and several will work in their PAC's towards the convention
4. The meeting in Sarnia successful, ~~xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx~~

ALEXANDER DEFENSE COMMITTEE: Reports of information by Macdonald andadhair - Canada will send a letter protesting the fact that the ADC has to register with the American government as a foreign agent - an unprecedented civil liberty violation

Sub-Drive: Macdonald outlined plans for beginning drive on Saturday at 9:30, the ~~importance~~ seriousness of punctuality stressed -renewal work will be included
It was pointed out that each comrade should sell a sub to their own contacts

New Business:

Quebec branch conference is this ~~mm~~ weekend and several comrades are going from Toronto in response to the invitation from Quebec

2. Tour: left on June 7 -couldn't hold their meeting in Oshawa because of hall problems but have already arranged their Peterborough meeting for June 9
3. m/c to have a 10 minute discussion on the election results in Quebec
4. Trade Union fraction meeting for Thurs. June 9

Calendar read:
meeting adjourned at 10.25

Minutes of the Toronto L.S.A. June 22, 1966

Chairman: Knight Sgt. Arms: Flame

Minutes: The minutes of June 15th were read and adopted.

Correspondence: The correspondence from the tour was read and filed.

Attendance: M/C that comrade U. be seated for the summer. M/C that P.D. be seated for this meeting. Laboissiere, Mack, Lynne Saunders, Riel, Jordan A.W.R.

Membership and contacts: Sands leave of absence has come to a close and she will return on ~~break~~. Youth comrade C.L. has asked to join. M/C that her membership be accepted. The question of the membership of M.C. was referred to the executive.

Educationals: past, internal. Whittton on our right to be in the N.D.P. past, external: Kent on China% Guidance was asked on the chairing of our forums, in regard to controlling speakers from the floor. The importance of hearing all speakers out at our forums was stressed.

Park meeting: While the meeting was a success in terms of attendance and papers sold, it was felt that as a whole the meeting itself lacked a positive stand. We have shown, however, that we are able to hold successful outdoor meetings.

Lineup, future. We have a permit for a park meeting next Sunday, and it was M/C that we hold it, with a minimum number of comrades.

Future, forums. The executive proposes that we hold the forum on the Gordon debate Thurs June 30th, instead of the Friday. Comrades were asked to indicate their preference. M/C that we concur with the executive motion.

Future, internals. M/C that Saunders educational on the role of the individual be moved ahead to July 6th. For next Wednesday, M/C that we have a class on the French revolution. Speaker Flame %

Fair Play: It was announced that F.P.C.C. membership is down, and that few comrades now hold memberships. Comrades urged to join. Educational:

Bates on the United Front.

Sub Drive: Report given by MacDonald, noted that it is off the ground. Comrades informed of next meeting on Thursday.

Anti-War: Massen reported. The T.C.C. has voted \$50.00 towards the youth conference. The appeal for the August 6th march is off, comrades urged to circulate it. The question of the desirability of having a headquarters for the march was raised, discussed, and referred to the anti-war caucus. Maxwell reported on the coming youth conference.

On a point of procedure, the question of comrades leaving the meeting without the permission of the chair was raised. This has been discussed with the executive, and MacQuise will raise this at the beginning of the next meeting.

N.D.P.: Connolly reported that the caucus will meet in the first week in July to discuss anti-war work and the march. Meanwhile, through the caucus, a few resolutions can still be raised in some of the clubs, but mainly forces will be organized through key caucus people forming working committees. An anti-war committee will be formed in Richmond Hill, mainly NDPers. Regarding the provincial convention, a deadline for resolutions has been set at July 14th. We will attempt to circulate the resolutions we have worked out throughout Ontario.

Trade Union: Edwards reported that the strike in the C.B.R.T. is going very well, and so far is in our hands. A strike co-ordinating committee has been set up.

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Minutes of the Toronto L.S.A. June 22, 1966 cont.

Alexander Defense Committee: The main activity for the summer will centre around a leading South African student who will tour the U.S. and Canada.

Social: We plan two major picnics for the summer, one to be the F.P.C.C. banquet in July, and the other held in August by ourselves.

George It was drawn to the attention of the comrades that comrade ~~Ann~~ was leaving on Friday and it was announced that there will be a gathering for her Thursday night after the Sub Drive.

Good and Welfare: Congratulations of the branch extended to Bates and P. D. on their marriage.

New Business: *George* requested and was granted a transfer to the Vancouver branch.

The Montreal comrades are holding an educational weekend. All interested comrades see Crandell.

Calander read by Macquire, meeting adjourned 10.45

MINUTES OF THE TORONTO L.S.A. June 29, 1966

Chairman: Bannon Sgt. Arms : Evans

Minutes: The minutes of June 22nd were adopted as corrected

Attendance: Kendall and Mack were granted Leaves of absence for holidays- Kendall for 3 weeks, Mack for two weeks. Abolissiere Pine, Whitten, Carter, Cotton AWR, Martin and Rearse to arrive late. Dunn requested permission to leave early.

Membership and Contacts: The executive recommended that the following youth comrades join the branch...P.F., B.D. CL. Carried.

Educationals: Past, internal. Bates on the United Front. Past, External Speaker from the African Nationalist movement. A report of this forum will be given in the next Vanguard. Speaker favorably impressed.

Park meeting: While there were only 3 speakers, the meeting was a success with one important contact made.

Future, externals: M/C that Randall chair the forum this Friday.

M/C that Bannon chair the forum on July 8th, the first of the classes.

M/C that Kent speak on the July 15th forum on the drive vs. labour if no outside speaker available.

M/C that on July 29th Massen speak on the Anti-war movement and Aug. 6th march.

Future internals: M/C that on July 13th we have a class on Political perspectives in the anti-war movement. Jones speaker.

Park meetings: M/C that we hold another meeting the week after next.

EducationalFlame on the French revolution.

Sub Drive: MacDonald reported. We have made our two week goal, but it was pointed out that this was due to the efforts of only a few comrades. Comrades are urged to be careful in making out sub cards, and warned against selling single subs.

Anti-war: Jones reported. A demonstration is called for tomorrow night to oppose the bombing of Hanoi. Work on preparations to be begun immediately. If possible a leaflet will be distributed at major points tomorrow announcing the demonstration. It was also pointed out, in discussing the Aug. 6th protest, that the labour committee has to be reactivated. Randall reported on the success of the Ottawa newsletter.

Trade Union: The strike preparations are moving smoothly, although in some locals, conservative leaders have moved in. A strike headquarters has been established, and the idea of defiance of injunctions has carried in some locals. (CART? -ed.)

Concerning injunctions, White reported on the perspectives of fighting injunctions. The labour council has called a meeting.

N.D.P. The socialist caucus will meet Tuesday night at 8 P.M. to discuss anti-war work and the march.

Many of our resolutions for the provincial elections ~~will~~ appeared in the resolution book.

Good and Welfare: Scott requires a large car for the weekend.

New Business: Kent reported on the new developments in Alberta.

In Vancouver, a supplement to the Vanguard has been printed. Branch to send congratulations.

Calendar read by Macuire, meeting adjourned 10:35

Minutes of the Toronto LSA July 6, 1966

Chairman: Flame Secretary: Sands Sgt-at-Arms: Pryce late
Attendance: A/R Earl, Blake, Knight, Ruby, PD, Cotton, McWilliams, Riel, Martin-late
Minutes adopted as corrected

Correspondence: letter from Trailblazers filed.
letter from Kent referred to anti-war.

Membership & Contacts: C.L. & B.D. welcomed into branch
ref. to exec. contact A.
ref. to exec. contact J.

Agreed that national origins should not be mentioned in connection with members or contacts.

Educationals: Past Internal: Flame on French Revolution

Past External: Cotton on a Chance for Canada: commented that the question of an independent role for Canada was not handled properly in the educ. and that not enough latitude was allowed for contributions from the floor.

Future Internals: July 13, Brooks, Anti-War movement, Jones
July 20, MacDonald, The Theory of the Vanguard Party.
July 27, B.D., The Law of Combined and Uneven Development
Aug. 3, McWilliams, The Role of the Individual in History.
TONIGHT: The History of Injunctions, Green

Note was made of the academic character of educationals and suggestion made for insertion of more topical ones.

M/C that a comrade be assigned to start research on a 3-part series on the History of China
Future Externals: M/C that we attempt to get an American Negro speaker to speak on "black power" for late August.

Sub Drive: Last week will be regarded as a "lost" week and campaign will proceed from this week for another two.

Anti-war: Jones reported on demonstration on Thurs. deemed successful despite short notice. Also on building action for Aug. 6 in Niagara Falls and Camp Palermo.
The TCC has decided to get a headquarters.

Discussion followed: it was felt that not sufficient preparation for a mass demonstration was taking place--no posters, headquarters etc. including the program for Aug. 6 itself--meeting, seminar. etc.

M/C that we should move independently of the TCC. i.e. that in the case of stalling by the TCC ~~we should~~ the youth should take a headquarters. This was referred to the anti-war fraction.

Letter from Kent re. Vietnam newsletter filed. Suggested that Newsletter be integrated into Vanguard Sub Drive., also that a billboard be investigated.

Trade Union: Labor committee of the TCC has become ~~inactive~~ inactive. Two things suggested to reactivate it 1. meet with CP elements 2. use TUA lists to bring in new elements. Proposals to be put forward to meeting on injunctions 1. Time limit for solution of problem by the government (suggested --- Labor Day 2. One day "general holiday" Railway: strike organizer leaflet being prepared.

NDP: Ken Goldstein from the Provincial office attended socialist caucus meeting representing NDP's changed attitude to TCC. They feel that it absolves them of any responsibility for the anti-vietnam war struggle. Socialist caucus has been organized in Alberta.

New Business: M/C that we reopen the question of Chinese series

M/C to refer the matter of educationals to the executive and that the matter of the Chinese series be suspended.

M/C that Crandall and Dunfield have leave of absence from July 8 to 18

M/C to refer matter of summer camp to exec.

Calendar read meeting adjourned 11 p.m.

Minutes of the Toronto Branch, July 13th, 1966

Secretary Bill, Chairman Lynn, Sgt-at-arms Bannon.

Absent With reason. *Blake, Pearce, Massin, Ruel, Grant, White*

McGuire welcomed ~~Mr.~~^{*comrade*} into the branch. M./C accepting J.G. as a member of the branch. M/c granting Green 3 weeks leave of absence and Cotton and *Carl* 2 weeks leave of absence for holidays. M/C recommending the transfer of Smith to Vancouver.

McGuire reported on a meeting of the membership committee with recommendations that phoning should be done prior to forums and also that some ~~xxxxxx~~ contacts be invited to homes on Friday evening and then taken to Forums.

Educationals: Past external. The last external was Ruby with the first of the classes. There was some criticism that although the educational contained a great deal of information it lacked a main theme.

Past Park meeting. Connolly reported that the last park meeting which was on Vietnam was quite excellent and was attended by approximately 100 people.

Future internal and external educationals are as previously outlined with no changes.

Comrade MacDonald in reporting on the sub drive stated that there where only 50 morex subs required to meet the objective. In view of the Youth Conference which will keep many of the younger comrades busy on Saturday, a special appeal was made for the older comrades to participate in the sub work on Saturday.

Anti War *Brooks* Gave a report on the latest developments

in preparation for the August 6th demonstration. A Headquarters had been set up at Bathurst United Church at Bloor and Bathurst. The protest would not defy the law. Park meetings were being held at Allen Gardens, Riverdale and High Park this week-end to build the Aug 6 Demo. Connolly reminded comrades that it was largely our enthusiasm that carried the TCC and we must maintain our enthusiasm. Comrade Kent among other things urged that we flock into the Headquarters at Bathurst United Church and make sure it functions.

Youth report

Comrade *C* Gave a report on the Youth Conference to be held this Saturday at Hart House. It is expected that the attendance will be from 150 to 250 persons. These persons are expected to increase the militancy of the Aug. 6 Demo.

M. Sutton Gave a report on the Provincial Council meeting last week. We will not have an independent publication in the NDY but two comrades will sit on the editorial board of the official publication. There is to be a High School Seminar on August 20.

Trade Union Pryce gave a report on the strike preparations with the CBRT. Pryce may be alternative co-ordinator in Loc 26 Edwards editor of a strike paper. There is an attempt to promote a 1 day general holiday if there is no action on the matter of injunctions before labour day.

Fpcc. *King* reported that the new bulletin was out and urged comrades to renew their membership if it had expired. Plans for the picnic had been made. P.M.S. had agreed to speak at the Banquet in Nov.

Martin gave a financial report showing a balance forward of \$1,020. 74. Calendar was read and meeting adjourned 10:25 p/m/

Minutes of the Toronto L.S.A. - July 20, '66

Chairman: Lynne Sgt. at arms: Flame Secretary: Nora

Minutes: Minutes of July 13 read and adopted as corrected.

Correspondence: Letter from read and filed.

Attendance: Blake and Knight absent with reason.

Membership and Contacts: Report by McGuire on D.H. who was dropped from youth membership without political prejudice.

Educational:

Past Report- ~~Yakara~~ External-

Kent on Labour Militancy. Criticism of chairing in that it covered too much in too schematic and impersonal ~~strain~~ a vein. The educational itself lacked a continuous thread but it was very informative.

Past Internal-

Brooks on Anti-War. Educational wasn't valuable in that it was too soon to reopen discussion of the Anti-war document. The topic at this point was really suited to an external.

Future external-

m/c Ruby chair the Friday night forum which is the 2nd of the series on Socialism and Democracy.

Sub-Drive: MacDonald reported on the success of the sub-drive- we almost made it. About 50% of the comrades participated. 198 subs

Fair Play Picnic: McGuire reported on transportation arrangements. Recommended that groups such as the Portuguese ~~Dem.~~ Dem. Association be officially invited.

Educational: MacDonald on "The Vanguard Party".

Anti-war: Maxwell reported on the Youth seminar. There were about 160 people, many of them new and some from outside Toronto. Whole atmosphere supported our slogan.

Fraction wasn't well enough organized. The political line had not been thoroughly enough discussed, and no steering committee had been elected. Comrades who had not really taken part in the fraction had moved at the Conference. The Conference was on the whole a success and a number of gains made: Main aims of seminar were to consolidate the U of T Comm. and to establish a working relationship across Ontario. Both aims were achieved. We now have a viable working area with trust of the broad forces in our leadership. An independent comm. is now being set up in Oshawa.

Felt that Toronto would probably ~~pinx~~ be leadership in formation of Canadian movement.

m/c to adopt report.

Laboissiere reported on York Comm. 15 people at first meeting, 60 on mailing list. The character of the comm.

has been formally defined, around slogans "Withdraw Troops" and "End Can. Complicity". Has also defined itself as an Independent comm. loosely linked with others, and as non-exclusive. Formal membership was not established. Two delegates have been appointed to the Toronto Co-ord. Comm. Arthur Arnott is president of the group. The importance of this development for NDP work was pointed out.

m/c to refer discussion of the significance of this development to the Anti-war fraction and the branch exec.

Brooks reported on general anti-war work. Discussion of organization for Aug. 8.

m/c to refer report to Anti-war fraction.

m/c that fraction meetings be held at 8p.m., Sunday evenings.

Trade Union: Powell reported on developments in strike.

m/c that report be given at next meeting from fraction and executive on railway strike with a detailed analysis of our perspectives in the strike.

m/c to adopt report.

Press: New Vanguard discussed. The issue was commended especially the editorial.

Suggested that exec consider selling it rather than giving it away at the ~~next~~ demonstration.

New Business: m/c that Johnston be given leave of absence from Aug. 1-15.

m/c that Jordan be given leave of absence from July 22-29.

m/c that Bill be given leave of absence from Aug. 1-15.

Calendar read. Meeting adjourned.

MINUTES OF THE TORONTO L.S.A. JULY 27th, 1966

Chairman: Dunn Secretary: Blake Sgt. Arms: Lynne

Minutes: The minutes of July 20th were adopted as corrected.

Correspondence: M/C to file letter from the trailblazers.

M/C that we refer the letter from Kent regarding the L.S.O. fund drive to new business.

Attendance: Whitton, Massen, Dunfield, Bannon, Johnson, Flame A.W.R. M/C to seat Scott.

Educational: past external. Blake on second in series on Democracy. Past, internal. MacDonald on the Vanguard party. Future line-up: M/C that Grandall chair this weeks forum on the August 6th demonstration. M/C that Lynne chair the 3rd in the series on democracy, to be given by Grandall. The question of the Forum of August 12th, which will be given by a S.N.C.C. spokesman, was referred to the executive.

Anti-war: Brooks reported. The anti-war fraction met last Sunday, and the general line they projected was carried in the main at the T.C.C. meeting. Brooks and Scarlett will speak at the August 6th protest. The general plan for the demonstration was outlined, and it was reported that the headquarters is now functioning quite well. It was pointed out that while a mailing and a poster campaign was projected, phoning and personal contact remained important. The importance of the coming park meetings was emphasized. The steering committee of the anti-war fraction is to meet after the branch adjourns.

Educational: Haughton on the law of uneven and combined development.

Trade Union: referred to after new Business on the agenda.

Good and Welfare: Evans will be in the Western hospital for a few days. Comrades urged to visit.

New Business: Pledges were taken by MacQuire for the L.S.O. fund drive.

Total pledges taken in the meeting came to \$141.00. The treasurer will collect these as soon as possible.

Alexander defense committee: The dates August 20th - 22nd have been set for the visit of the South African student to Toronto.

F.P.C.C. Knight reported on the picnic, which was a success. An invitation was issued from the consulate for F.P.C.C. to attend the July 26th celebration in Ottawa.

Trade Union: Edwards reported. The fraction met and arrived at several decisions.

1. The fraction will meet regularly every 4th Thursday.
2. A steering committee of White, Edwards and Conolly was elected.
3. The fraction urges support of the labour council decision to get involved in municipal politics.
4. Our line on the fight against inductions is to push the labour council into holding a representative preliminary conference prior to the C.L.C. meeting. As a result of this decision in the fraction, it was reported that White's local has passed a motion to this effect that is to go to the labour council.

M/C that this part of the report be adopted.

CBRT strike: Some militants feel that waiting for a common strike date may result in a sell out by the leadership. Our line is that all the locals should go out together if possible, and that in the meantime other areas can be contacted and a rank and file built. A policy paper for the strike will be put out by the executive of the strike committee, with Edwards and Anderson also on the editorial board. The general line of this report also adopted.

Library: Sands reminded comrades to get their books back.

Vanguard: The comrades were reminded that this Vanguard is a particularly good selling issue. Any meetings should be covered, comrades urged to stay in touch with the store.

Calendar read by MacQuire, meeting adjourned 10.10.

Minutes of the Toronto L.S.A. August 3, 1966

Chairman: Pratt Secretary: Blake Sgt. Arms: Crandell

Minutes: Minutes of July 27th adopted as corrected

Correspondence: A letter from the trailblazers was read and filed.

Attendance: Ruby, Earl, Jordan, Kendall, all C.B.R.T. comrades
Absent with reason. Leaves of absence were granted to ~~Blake~~

Blake (3 weeks) Massen (2 weeks) and Maxwell (2 weeks).

Membership and Contacts: Visiting hours for Evans and Sands
were reported. Kent reported that both were doing well.

Comrades urged to visit. Later in the meeting J.G. was welcomed ~~into~~ the
Educational: Past, external. Massen on anti-war movement. ~~League~~ into the League.

Kent and Mack commented. Past, internal: Haughton on combined
and uneven development. Essential ideas clearly stated.

Future, external: SNCC speaker for August 12th firmly committed
and to speak in this hall. M/C that on August 26th we hold

a Trotsky memorial meeting. On August 19th, the 4th in the
series on democracy is to be held. Future, internal:

M/C that on August 10th we have an educational on the dynamics
of class struggle. Connolly speaker. M/C that on August 17th

we hold a class on "Is the NDP a social democratic party".

Luff speaker. Comrades should raise any ideas they have concerning
this topic with the speaker before the educational.

The question of the coming visit of the YSA NEC member was
referred to the branch executive, in order to consider the question of
possible joint meetings.

League comrades are invited to the extended YSF educational
periods, and also to the classes on the Russian Revolution.

Dues and Pledges: Kent reported that a list of the standings of
comrades had been drawn up. Over half the comrades are behind in dues,
and many in pledges as well.

Educational: Mack ~~on~~ on the role of the individual.

Anti-War: Massen reported the program of the protest on August 6th.

It was established that we are opposed to arrests, and will not
defy the law, and are to follow the directions of the fraction
leaders while at the protest. After some discussion, it was
resolved that at the protest our line will be to try to widen
and deepen the roots of the anti-war movement in Ontario.

~~inquiringxxxxxxx~~ M/C that the copies of
the Newsletter distributed by the T.C.C. be stamped "sample".

M/C that we run off subblanks to the Newsletter. M/C that we
sell our copies of the Newsletter. Vanguard distribution;

members of the branch will be contacted by Mack, who is co-ordinating
the sales.

NDP: Fraction meeting August 14th.

Trade Union: CBRT strike. Strikers have begun to go out without
the leadership. A meeting is being held to decide whether this
action is to be regarded as a protest building up to a strike, or
a beginning of the strike. This will depend on national strike actions.

New Business: Kent reported on successful Vanguard sales about the
city. Massen reported on the Anti-Vietnam park speaking.

Alexander Defense committee: Publicity for the coming touring
speaker will be a major branch activity after the march.

Youth House: Thanks were extended to the LSA from YSF for their
help with the house, which recently passed inspection.

Calender read by McQuire. Meeting adjourned: 10.50

Minutes of the Toronto LSA August 10, 1966

Chairman MacDonald, Secretary Kent, Sgt at arms-- Knight

Minutes of August 3 read and adopted

Attendance-- absent with reason--Crandall, Pratt, Whitten, Lynne, Dunfield, Cooke, Cameron, Mack, Anderson, Edwards will be late, Pine. ..25 present

Correspondence--report by Kent on the detention of Montreal anti-Vietnam-war ~~newsmen~~ distributors (from La Presse) and his letter of solidarity with ISO

Membership and contacts--report by McGuire on executive recommendation that Don's application for membership in the League be accepted--unanimous. Motion that Ken of the youth be seated as visitor --passed

Educational--Executive motion that comrade Kent chair the August 12 forum--passed

Executive motion that the August 26 forum be a Trotsky memorial meeting--passed

executive motion that Kent be speaker and Crandall chair--passed. Motion that we accept proposition from the S P of C that we have a debate with them ~~in~~ passed. Moved that we accept their suggested topic Whether Workers should

support the LSA or the S P of C in the struggle for a socialist Canada--passed.

Motion that it be held on September 23 at 1 Cumberland--passed. Speaker tabled.

Notice was given that there will be an educational weekend over October 15-16

at the Caledon Hills site featuring George Novak--~~fu~~lder report next week.

Motion that we adopt the topic--Why Hasnt the 4th International ~~make~~ ~~make~~

lead a successful revolution--passed. Motion that it be August 24 --passed.

Nomination opened for Speaker. Grant stood and was elected.

Past internal by McWilliams on the role of the individual in history was generally agreed to have been very valuable. Past external by Crandall on the class on democracy thought by some to lack some broad generalities that audience could take away with them

Business Dues and pledges collected--report left to new business

Educational--- by Connolly--Some aspects of trade union perspectives

Anti-war Report by Brooks--report had two aspects--(1) an analysis of the Niagara demonstration-- general evaluation that the demonstration was a big success new comers were impressed--an effective impact on US visitors, some confusion organizationally--700 to 800 participated. Overall the speeches were good literature sales good also. (2) presentation of our line re Co-ordinating Committee proposed that we continue to participate fully in the committee and that we attempt to activate the committee around the case of the Fort Hood Three--at the same time we commence to move in the direction of popularizing the U of T membership and Richmond Hill neighborhood committee idea. Report adopted. Motion that we refer the question of commencing to allocate forces to build neighborhood membership committees to the executive and anti-war fraction for a report next meeting--passed.

NDP-- fraction meeting August 14

ADC - Report by MacDonald that national tour well underway. Toronto public meeting at University debates Room August 22. Mailings to be done, comrades urged to take copies of notice for promotion. Motion that executive arrange an internal meeting on following Tuesday by switching branch meeting if speaker not available Wednesday--passed. Agreed that youth be invited--it be a common meeting.

Social Motion that a picnic or a joint picnic and educational affair be organized in conjunction with the youth August 27--passed.

New Business Report by McGuire on Vanguard sales--125 copies at least sold at Niagara Falls, 63 copies sold in front of GM plant in Oshawa, 90 copies sold at mass meeting of Stelco workers in Hamilton, almost 900 distributed at GE in Peterboro. Cross country sales of Vanguard good---in Vancouver, Edmonton, Ottawa no info on Montreal.

Financial report Martin presented report--for July--adopted. Pointed out that when payment is made of funds outstanding to center branch treasury lowest been in for years. Motion by Knight that names of comrades in arrears and standing be read out next meeting--passed.

Trade Union-- Report by Kent on situation in CERT and present strategy--adopted

Calendar-- Announced that park speaking under name of Newsletter--Motion that meeting continue to be in name of co-ordinating committee with aim of increasing Newsletter circulation--passed Motion to adjourn--passed.

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Minutes Of Toronto LSA Aug 19, 1966

Chairman- Connolly Secretary -Labossiere Sergeant -Kent

Attendance- Will be late-Crandall, Bill, Macdonald, Knight, Mack, Bates, Nora.

Absent with reason-Cook, Riel, McGregor, Evans, Pratt, Cameron.

Minutes- adopted as read.

Correspondence- Letter from Trailblazers read. Motion to file.

Membership and contacts ~~asked~~ ^{EVANS} asked for leave of absence. Carried

Recommended that K.W. be accepted as member.

K. is a youth comrade. Suggested that Youth Executive be consulted and make recommendations re acceptance of youth in branch. Motion to accept K.s application for membership-carried. Suggested that the youth accepted be a leading comrade in the youth movement. The age of the comrade should also be considered. Motion to refer above to Executive. ~~carried~~ ^{carried}
~~Executive~~ Executive recommends that we have a discussion with J.G. with the view of recruiting ~~him~~ to the movement. Carried. It was suggested that we discuss the character of our movement as well as our political orientation thoroughly with youth comrades applying for membership. The organizer said this was our policy.

Educational Reports-

External- SNCC speaker- In spite of the political immaturity of the speakers, the forum was successful. Very good attendance. Speakers said they learned a lot. A good collection was handed over to SNCC.

Internal- "TRADE UNIONS AND OUR RELATIONSHIP TO THEM" By Connolly. Good speaker but ~~the~~ topic was undefined and not well chosen.

Internal- Motion to have branch meeting on Tuesday, Aug. 23. Carried.

Franz will speak. Aug 31. "WHY HAS'NT THE 4th INTERNATIONAL TAKEN POWER?"

External- Friday Aug 19 Mack as chairman. Aug 26. Trotsky Memorial Ruby will chair meeting. Bannon recommended as speaker to debate SP of C. Carried. Drouet recommended as chairman. Suggested that we must discuss who the chairman will be with the SP. The chairman will have to be absolutely neutral. Motion that the above be referred to the executive. Carried. Suggested that we have a park speaker every Sunday

Financial Report- Recommendation from executive that Martin be Treasurer Carried.

Educational- Luff on "THE NDP - IS IT A SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC FORMATION?"

* ADC-Franz Lee will be here on Saturday. Suggested by executive that the Monday night meeting at Hart House be publicized vigorously by comrades. Comrades are asked to go to Hamilton to support the Franz Lee meeting there. Motion to adopt the report. Carried. We see the Caplan Committee as a group in which we can take part in an educational way but we will not help to build it. We will counterpose the ADC to it

Trade Unions- The body that has taken part in the wild cat will form a caucus. Our policy is to push the old leadership to lead in the Trade Union Toronto Coordinatin Committee. Our policy is to hold back on striking at this time. Edwards is Vice-Chairman of the Strike Committee

Fraction meeting on Thursday on possibility in the teamsters.

(* Alexander Defense Ctee.)

Minutes of Aug 17, 1966 ,Toronto LSA (continued)

Anti-War the TCC will back the campaign to aid the Fort Hood Three

The TCC has also endorsed the formation of neighborhood committees. Our fraction will move on this after the TCC has divided the city into zones to develop the neighborhood committees.

NDP the Socialist Caucus will be propagandistic in character and the program pushed will be that of the Alberta Caucus. The main issues will be Vietnam, anti-labor legislation, municipal politics, youth relationship to adult party, nationalization. Our approach will be softer than at the federal convention. Aug 30 Socialist Caucus meeting Sept 15- Social, Sept ~~17~~/ 20- official founding of Ontario Socialist Caucus

NDY- Report that the bulletin of left caucus has been proscribed. It has been decided to go on publishing on two counts 1. The proscription is undemocratic and unconstitutional 2. the proscription has been made in Ontario alone and the bulletin is national. The result may be suspension of one comrade in Ontario on editorial board. Report adopted.

Social- Motion- that we hold a picnic on Aug 28 at Hanlan's Point. Carried.

New Business-Comrades should feel free to change their pledges on bulletin board. Names of Comrades whose pledges and dues were in arrears were read. Motion that the Treasurer send out a letter to every comrade re the pledge they are willing to make and that a suggested pledge based on salary be included. Carried. Motion that close sympathizers and Youth be invited to the internal with Franz Lee.

Calendar- Read.

Secretary - Sands, Chairman - ^{Diel} Sgt-at-arms, Flame

Previous minutes read and adopted as corrected

Attendance - ~~Excused~~ Excused, Edwards, Pryce, ~~excused~~ ^{Johnston} excused

M/C to seat FL & BR

M/C that agenda be handled in form of executive report

Membership & contacts KW welcomed into branch

lists have been prepared for contact work

Educationals - Past External - ^{Lynn} on Decay of Bourgeois Democracy

- Kent commented on lateness of c'm to forum, advised that if they have to be late that it may be better not to come at all. Felt speech was excellent, although handling of one question led to misunderstanding of our ideas.

Past Internal-Luff on NDP- topic was not well-defined, therefore not of too much value -- discussion was valuable, but nothing new was added.

Educational Report will be given next week outlining policy in determination of educational topics.

Anti-war - MI from Davenport has taken steps ~~to set up independent committee with base in NDP~~ to see what can be done in the NDP about the war in Vietnam. Our policy is to press him to set up an independent committee. M/C that report be adopted.

Trade-union - We are in favor of as many RRway unions coming out as possible we should have the position of 1. That the government grant the demands immediately (no negotiations, arbitration --stalling) 2. That the CPR should be nationalized, and the CNR and CPR unified.

AGG - Meeting at Hamilton poorly attended, nothing gained. Press conference well attended, little response. Tea party with new sponsors well attended with new possibilities. Hart House well attended, new people, adequate collection.

Social - Picnic this Sunday, M/C that educational be given at it.

Finances - A budget report will be presented next week, letters will go out this week.

M/C 6666 to adopt report as a whole.

Break for dues and pledges.

Educational by FL

MINUTES OF THE TORONTO L.S.A. AUGUST 31, 1966

Chairman: Scarlett Sgt. Arms: Crandell Secretary: Blake

Minutes: The minutes of August 23rd were adopted as read.

Correspondence: M/C to file two letters from the tour. Letter from the National Office on T.C.C.E.V.E. read and referred to Anti-War section of the agenda.

Attendance: MacDonald, Pratt, Flame Riel, ~~but~~ be late. Dunfield, and trade union comrades involved in rail strike excused.

Membership: Kent commented on the significance of Kendall, Scarlett, Haughton and other comrades leaving the branch for other areas. A social will be held Saturday night for these comrades.

Educationals: Past report, external. Kent on Trotsky memorial.

Past, internal; F.L. on South African situation. Discussion. General agreement that comrades are not in a position to direct such educationals.

Future educationals; Mack reported on discussions regarding educational policy. Criteria for internals and forums are now established, and it was proposed that some educational classes will be held in liaison with Y.S.F. However, this must be discussed with them. Basic pamphlets,

~~to~~ used in the educational period, must be relevant to the current (when) situation the branch faces. Next forum will be Kent on the

railway strike. Bannon chairman. M/C that there be a forum on youth on Sept. 16th, with its form and content referred back to executive. M/C that Bannon speak on the 13rd of Sept, in the debate with the S.P.C.

Future, internals; M/C that Labois here speak next week on Defense Committees and how to operate in them.

Treasurer's Report: Comrades urged to reassess pledges, in light that we will pledge \$700.00 to the Youth Fund Drive.

Educational: Grant; ~~xxxxxxx~~ Why the F.I. has not taken power.

Trade Union: Kent reported on the rail strike. Our goal is to deepen the struggle in Toronto, where there is a possibility of the C.B.R.T. staying out. We want to polarize the militants, and test various slogans. A leaflet will be circulated towards this end, and pressure

Anti-War: put on the Labour council

The line of the letter from the National Office on the split in the Toronto Committee was essentially endorsed. Comrades will move out to form neighbourhood committees. It was noted that the U. of T. committee supports our stand, and that A.J. Muste is coming to Toronto and could be used as a focal point to organize neighbourhood committees. It will likely be necessary to form an Ad. Hoc committee for the benefit of the Fort Hood Three.

Vanguard: It was recommended that the executive appoint someone to co-ordinate the Vanguard sales. Past sales have been successful (comrades sold 110 Vanguards at an Oshawa meeting of 600 workers tonight) and with the labour day rally and the strike, there will be many more opportunities. M/c that we begin the fall sub-drive next week. M/C that Sands be co-ordinator.

New Business: Social; Saturday night, for departing comrades.

M/C that a committee be struck off to organize party.

The question of the coming branch conference was referred to executive again.

C. Lander read by Macquire, meeting adjourned 11:00

MINUTES OF THE TORONTO L.S.A.: SEPT. 2/66

Chairman: Maxwell Sgt. Arms: Knight Secretary: Blake

Minutes: The minutes of August 31 were adopted as read.

Correspondence: A letter from the trailblazers was read and filed.

A letter from Kent about the "Newsletter" was read and referred to anti-war

A letter from the National Office on the railway strike was read as information.

Attendance: Brooks, Grant, Whittton, White, Pryce and Edwards excused.

Membership and Contacts: Knight reported. M/C that B.R. rejoin the League, but that his participation in the youth be reconsidered. The question of the recruitment of contact M.C. was raised. M/C that someone be struck off to recruit her immediately. M/C that Knight be Membership and Contact chairman.

Educational: Past, internal. Grant; why the F.I. has not taken power.

Past. external. Kent; the railway strike. Future educational, internal.

M/C that we hold an internal on "Endel's phamplet on imperialism, Sept. 14

M/C that the election of a speaker be referred to New business.

Future externals. M/C that Crandall chair Flamess forum on democracy this Friday. The question of holding a forum on the Hungarian revolt

in the first week in November referred back to the executive.

M/C that, as regards the proposed forum on youth, that we keep the topic but postpone the date with a view to making up a panel.

M/C that we have a forum on Ghana on Sept. 16th. Crandall speaker.

M/C that an N.D.P. forum be considered during the October convention.

M/C that Knight's position as an open speaker be reconsidered by executive

Park meetings: There will be a park meeting this Sunday.

Educational: Laboissiere on Defence Committees.

Trade Union: Connolly reported that future work in the Railways has been discussed and laid out. The Committee for Militant action

will be revived in some form, and a program will be worked out for the building of a serious opposition to the present leadership.

Kent commented on the effective functioning of the R.R. caucus in the strike.

Anti-war: Massen reported on the situation in the T.C.C. and plans for the formation of independant committees. Two meetings have

been scheduled for the formation of such committees, and it was

M/C that comrades will be considered to automatically belong to the

committee in their area. Massen and Brooks will contact people as

representatives of the T.C.C. Report Adopted, with a motion that

the program and character of the neighbourhood committees be considered immediately by the Anti-war caucus.

Fort Hood three benefit: In view of the T.C.C. lack of interest, we

will procede to launch the benefit on an individual basis.

U of T. Committee: National wide demonstrations are planned for Nov. 11, 12

Sub. Drive: Sands reported that the teams are now organized, First

meeting this Saturday. M/C that McQuire co-ordinate Vanguard sales

until the Branch conference.

Social: M/C that we hold a corn roast on Sept. 17th. M/C that we have

a fall social October 22nd. M/C that the youth be asked to co-sponsor.

M/C that we procede with the N.Y. social but not hire J.M.'s band due to

the expense involved.

NEW business: M/C that the Branch conference be held October 15th.

M/C that the matter of the ventilation of the hall be referred to exec.

M/C that Knight give the next internal (imperialism). M/C that

the letter from Kent on the newsletter be referred to the Anti-war

steering committee. Maxwell gave a youth educational report.

Calander read by MacQuire, meeting adjourned 11:20

Minutes of the Toronto L.S.A. Sept. 14.1966

Chairman: Sands Sgt. Arms: ~~Flame~~ Secretary: Blake

Minutes: The minutes of Sept. 7 were adopted as corrected.

Attendance: Riel, Massen, Saunders, Cooke, Wolfson, Pine, ~~all~~ A.W.R.

Executive Report: MacQuire read an executive report on the conduct of branch meetings. The authority of the chair to maintain order was stressed, and reports will be given from the podium in the future.

Membership and Contacts: M.C. will be recruited tomorrow. Comrade B.R. was welcomed back into the branch. M/C that Nora be transferred back to ~~Vancouver~~ Montreal. B.R. reported on the R.R. contacts who will be at the next forum. Later, comrade D.D. was welcomed into the branch.

Educational Report: Past, internal. Laboissiere on Defence committees. Past, external. Flame on Democracy. The comment was made that the series on democracy as a whole was not well enough surveyed. ~~as a whole~~

Future externals: M/C that Sands speak and Grandell chair the forum on the 16th on Ghana. M/C that Maxwell speak on the 30th in a forum on the tasks before the N.D.P. convention. Maxwell is now an open speaker.

The executive recommends that Knight not be an open speaker. ~~XXXXXX~~ Carried.

Future internals: M/C that we hold a class next week on the lessons of Ceylon, and that it be related to recent documents. Speaker Martin.

M/c that we hold a class on the recent document on the Fort Hood Three.

~~Speakers~~ ~~XXXXXX~~ Riel, Brookes, Massen were left standing as possible speakers, and the educational director will assign the educational. The topic

the role of the C.P. of Canada in the peace arena was referred to the executive.

Financial Report: A report was given on the Youth Fund Drive. The aim of the drive is to make the youth self-sustaining. M/C that we accept a quota of \$700.00. M/C that MacGregor be drive co-ordinator. M/C that the deadline be November 1st. M/C that the standard of the pledges be 2 days pay.

Sub Drive: Sands reported. Only 12 subs so far.

Trade Union Connolly reported. The caucus will be ~~not~~ pulled together on the 18th, and our comrades are moving out to take executive positions and build slates in their locals to oppose the R.R. leadership. Comrades will meet after the branch to discuss the coming Labour Council meeting.

N.D.P.: On September 24th the ~~Ontario~~ ^{Founding meeting} Socialist Caucus will meet. All N.D.P. comrades to be mobilized.

Anti-war: Maxwell reported. The executive has recommended that we withdraw from the T.C.C. and take viable elements with us. Also, we do not propose that another C.C. be established at this time. A report was also given on the Fort Hood Three benefit, which was referred back to executive. The matter of the Newsletter co-ordinator was also referred back.

Social: Volunteers requested for the corn roast next week.

A.D.C. A full report will be given next week.

New Business: B.R. announced the formation of an art committee. Laboissiere asked for suggestions for a speaker for the ~~York~~ committee.

Calander read by MacQuire. Meeting adjourned, 11:00.

Minutes of the Toronto L.S.A. September 21, 1966

Chairman: Connolly Sgt. Arms: Evans Secretary: Blake

Minutes: The minutes of September 14th were adopted as corrected.

Attendance: Dunfield, Reil, Whitton, Leblanc, Pearce, Bates and all comrades in the central area absent with reason.

Membership and contacts: Comrade Malcolm was welcomed to the branch. Kent discussed contact A.S., who attends our forums. Comrades urged to hold fraternal discussions with him. Pine mentioned 3 contacts from Richmond Hill. The matter of contacting these persons in view of ~~xxxxxxx~~ beginning intensified educational work with them was referred to the educational director.

Educational Report: past, internal. Knight on Imperialism. It was noted that comrades need to make the basic ideas clear in internal educationals before elaborating on them. Past, external: Sands on Ghana. The participation from the floor was extremely poor. It was stressed that comrades have to prepare for forums even if they are not the main speaker.

Future educationals, external. Line up as before, but M/C that Cotton to chair the external on the 30th on the N.D.P. convention. Future, internal. M/C that we hold an internal on Oct. 5 on the new document on the labour party in Quebec. Lynne speaker. Riel will speak next week in the Fort Hood Three document.

Sub. Drive: 33 subs so far. M/C that night rallies be dropped, and that instead a mobilization be held on Saturday mornings. The possibility of holding drives in city apartments was raised.

Educationalx: Martin on Ceylon.

Anti War: Massen reported. The fraction has recommended that 1. the criteria for membership in the committees be opposition to the war in Vietnam and residence within the boundaries as defined, and 2. that the program we want in the committees is self-determination for the Vietnamese, withdrawal of American troops and the end of Canadian complicity, and 3. that 2 leading comrades be active in each Community committee. Carried. It was also M/C that all comrades go to Muste meeting on Wednesday night, and that the branch meeting be held on Thursday. Reports were given on the meetings of the West and East Toronto committees. Both agreed to meet again in 2 weeks and to publicize the Muste meeting and to reach NDPers in their areas and get the T.C.C. phoning list.

Vanguard Sales: Kent reported that the paper would be held up due to the trouble getting a new printer. Over 300 copies of the last issue sold. The success of street corner sales was noted.

Social: The corn roast was very successful and it was agreed that we should hold another soon, with a better organized program. The fall social will be held Oct. 29th; theme, the Russian Revolution.

New Business: Anderson and Crandall will be on T.V. discussing civil disobedience.

N.D.P. fraction to meet tomorrow night.

A report will be given next week on the municipal elections.

Treasurers report: Martin reported. We are now out of the red.

Defense of Hugo Blanco: M/C that a statement be drawn up and that we approach the coming amnesty convention.

calender read by Macquire, meeting adjourned 10:55

Toronto Branch
Sept. 22, 1966

Dear Comrades:

The Toronto Branch will hold its annual organizational conference Sunday, October 16. The executive has not as yet worked out the details for the conference, but we do know it will be an all-day and evening affair, and that the agenda will be tight, since we are now involved in areas of work where we have had little to discuss in the past. The conference will be well worth attending and we encourage you to come. All members, including youth members, are invited.

Out of town comrades will be provided with billets. Please let us know how many will attend from your branch or local so we can make the necessary arrangements.

An agenda will be mailed out later.

Comradely,

J. McGuire

J. McGuire
for the Toronto Branch

cc:9

Montreal
Vancouver
Ottawa
London
Edmonton
Lloydminster
For youth local
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Minutes of the Toronto L.S.A. Sept. 29th 1966

Chairman: Carl

Sgt. at Arms EVANS

Secretary: Mack

Minutes of September 21st adopted with addition re: Sub Drive
Correspondence : A letter from the Trailblazers was read & Filed.

Attendance : Absent with reason :- Whitton, Carter, Crandall, Lyn,
Dunfield, Cotton.

Membership & Contacts: Knight reported on Richmond Hill contacts.

Sub Drive: Sands reported little progress in Sub Drive - it was
moved that after Saturday's sub-drive, an evaluation
of the drive be made in the light of branch activity.

Education Report: Past External - Debate with Socialist Party of Canada.
Bannon's contribution considered excellent, and the over-all
experience a useful one.

" Past Internal - Massen reported on Martin's internal
on the Lessons of Ceylon.

External/Future: Line-up as adopted :- Sept. 30th Tasks Before the N.D.P.
Speaker Maxwell Chr. Flame. October 7th Panel on Youth -
Chr. Ruby. October 14th Guest Speaker - Gunter Frank on
Latin America. October 21st - Film - Romeo & Juliet in
Darkness. The question of an alternative topic for Oct. 14th
should Gunter Frank not be available, referred to E.C.

Internal Future: - Line-up as adopted :- Oct. 5th Fort Hood Three Document
speaker Riel. Oct. 12th Labour Party Question in Quebec -
speaker Lyn. Oct. 19th Revolutionary Strategy & Tactics
as applied to the work we are doing. Speaker Maguire.
Oct. 26th Was Bureaucracy inevitable in Soviet Union?
(examination of Kronsdat - banning of factions etc.)

Fund Drive

MacGregor reported \$375.00 had been ~~pledged~~ ^{pledged}. So far only
15 comrades had pledged - comrades urged to make pledge.

F.P.C.C.

Knight reported Banquet Tickets now available.

Educational

Moved to the bottom of the agenda

Anti-War

Massen reported on Muste meeting - in general meeting lacked
political direction altho' Fort Hood Three publicized. Maxwell
reported attendance of 200 at U.O.T. Muste meeting and
100 attended at York - both meetings very successful and have
helped establish the Viet Nam Cttee on Campus.
Community Committees - Discussion on the need to solidarize
community cttee's, and the type of activity required to do this.
Moved & carried the matter be referred to anti-war fraction
meeting of October 2nd for further discussion, and a full
report to be given to next branch meeting. Future meetings
of Community Cttees:- Oct. 3rd Danforth United Church -
Oct. 4th East Toronto C.C. Oct. 6th Westbury Hotel, Central C.C.
Connolly reported on the formation of the Ontario Socialist
Caucus - broad representation at the meeting - program adopted
and caucus now consolidated, and ready to operate as a serious
body at the convention. Details of Convention plans outlined
by Connolly. Report Adopted.

N.D.P.

Youth Report

Developments in Youth Movement outlined by Maxwell - good
situation locally & nationally. New ~~branches~~ ^{locals} established
in Montreal & London. Youth Conference Oct. 23rd - League
comrades invited to attend.

*Correction: Did the Bolsheviks
contribute to the rise
of bureaucracy
in the USSR?*

Minutes of the Toronto L.S.A. Sept. 29th cont'd

A.D.C.

(Alexander Defense
(Hee.)

attended his meeting
MacDonald reported on F.L.'s tour in Canada. A total of 450 people ~~had heard him speak~~ - publicity surrounding the tour excellent, and the tour could be judged a success politically & educationally. A further tour beginning Oct. 16th - 19th outlined by MacDonald - moved and carried that tour schedule be reconsidered to allow for more time in Toronto. Bulletin has resumed monthly publication.

New Business

Progress report on Municipal elections given by Connolly. Moved & carried that the question of the L.S.A. running a candidate in the election, the whole situation in the N.D.P. clubs - an estimation of our comrades role in the clubs re the municipal election, & the working out of an effective municipal program referred to E.C. - Progress report to be given to the next branch meeting.

Social

Tickets for October 29th social now ready. Corn Roast - in view of activity another corn roast this year is not feasible.

Hugo Blanco

Maguire reported statement on Hugo Blanco now out & campaign has now moved out on campus.

Educational

Moved & Carried that in view of the late hour the educational not be held.

Calendar read & meeting adjourned 10.45

Minutes of the Toronto L.S.A. October 5, 1966

Chairman: Pratt Secretary: Blake Sgt. Arms: Pryce
Minutes: The minutes of September 29th were adopted as corrected.
Attendance: Whitton, Lynne, MacDonald, Malcolm, Dunfield,
Johnson, Leblanc, Brooks Connolly all absent with reason.

Correspondence: Letters from the tour and the political committee read and filed as information.

Membership and Contacts: Moved and carried that the application of youth comrade W.S. for membership in the League be accepted.

Educational Report: Internal. Last week there was no internal. It was again suggested that educationals be prepared in advance to meet emergency situations. Past, external. Maxwell on the N.D.P. convention. Good contribution by Maxwell, but the importance of a speaker's summary was stressed.

Future Educationals: External. It was m/c, that, at the panel this Friday on Youth, the chairman play a key role in stimulating discussion and giving it emphasis. The panalists and the education director are to meet to define topic further. Degradation of future externals, the following was moved and carried.

1. That, as Prof. Frank is not prepared to speak on Oct. 14th, we keep the topic but leave the date open. 2. that we hold a forum on the Spanish Civil War. 3. that the forum on the Civil War be held on Friday the 14th, and that the speaker at this forum be sent and the chairman Sands. For October 21st, m/c that we have a report from the tour rather than the film Romeo and Juliet in Darkness, which will be available for October 28th.

Internals. Lynne unable to speak on the labour party in Quebec. M/c that on the 12th we hold an internal report on the NDP convention, and that the caucus select a speaker. M/c that Sigmen speak on the Labour party in Quebec, and that Dunfield speak on the Bolsheviks and the rise of bureaucracy in the U.S.S.R.

Sub Drive: Sands reported. Only 23 subs so far. M/c that we call off the sub drive, in light of the fact that the drive was ill-considered in light of other branch work. The comrades who were able to go on the drive had generally good experiences.

Youth Fund Drive: Although only 22 comrades have pledged, there is \$687.00 pledged so far.

N.D.P. Luff reported. The caucus will meet each evening of the convention, and the fraction steering committee will be responsible for our comrades. Travel and accomodation procedures outlined. There will be emergency resolutions put forward on compulsory arbitration and on price committees and on the B.C. injunctions. Report adopted. M/c that the socialist caucus try to put out a sensitively worded statement on the situation in the B.L.P., relating it the reformism in the NDP.

Trade Union: There will be two important resolutions before the labour council, one on two year terms for the executive and another calling for solidarity with the B.C. injunction fighters. Railway; A strongly worded resolution passed in Connolly's local condemning the R.R. leadership and calling for an emergency conference.

Branch Conference: McQuire reported. M/c that the conference be held at this hall rather than Y F house. M/c that the agenda be referred back to the executive, to include and ADC report, an National report, and a shortened youth report. M/c that nominations be opened for a 10 person executive, with the posts, with the exception of the organizer and the youth representative (elected by YSF) to be determined after.

Minutes of the Toronto ISA Oct 5th, continued...

Branch con

Branch conference, cont...

The executive put forward the following nominations for the branch executive:
Organizer: Brown

Also: Maxwell, Connolly, Knight, Massen, MacDonald, MacQuire, Labossiere, Brooks.

Nominated from the floor were: Grant, Mack, Dunfeild, Ruby, Randall, Bannon
It was M/C that nominations be placed for secretary and treasurer. The nominations were Blake for secretary, and Mack for treasurer.

Youth: Maxwell gave an informational report on the ONDY convention. Several recruits were made, and the SDP were endorsed.

Social: M/C that Malcolm be placed in charge of selling tickets at the social of Oct. 29th. There will be a social on Saturday night in the downstairs hall at the Carpenters hall of an internal character. The tour is returning and Pryse leaving for England.

New Business: The Vanguard will not be available for the convention, but we will try to draft up a circular as an alternative.

Antiwar: The steering committee is to meet after the branch. A report was given on the progress of the community committees, and the following decisions of the fraction were reported; 1. there will be a joint leaflet available for distribution on the character of the community committees during the NDP convention and the China teach in. 2. We will begin plaza work and 3.

we will not support the TCC petition but stress other work. Report adopted.

Student Days of Protest: the C.C. will try to endorse the SDP, and participate in them in so far as possible.

Hugo Blanco: The campaign has started on campus...six signatures from professors.

Portuguese Amnesty: We will support the petition and sell buttons.

Calander read by MacQuire, meeting adjourned 11:17

MINUTES OF THE TORONTO LSA OCT 12th 1966.

Chairman: Martin **Sgt. Arms:** Knight **Secretary:** Blake

Minutes: The minutes of October 5th were adopted as read.

Correspondence: A letter regarding the YSF convention was read and filed.

Attendance: Crandell and U of T anti-war comrades absent with reason. The matter of recent low attendance at branch meetings was referred to the executive.

Membership and Contacts: Kent reported on contacts coming around because of Vietnam work.

Educationals, past internal. Reil on the Fort Hood three. Kent commented that while the class was generally good, the scope covered by the speaker was not broad enough. Past, external. Youth Forum. Comrades were ill-prepared partly because of organizational problems. Discussion of this topic has begun in the Youth. Future educationals: Line up as ~~was~~ before, except that the forum on the Spanish Civil War was referred back to the educational committee for a new chairman, and possible new speaker. Internal lineup ~~unchanged~~.

Edinburgh Weekend. Wade will be there on the 12th and 13th of November.

The question of whether to proceed with the conference as a weekend affair or not was referred back to the executive, in light of the fact that we in no way want to cut across actions of the S.D.P. **Youth Fund Drive:** It was pointed out that only 26 of the comrades have pledged so far, and that out of \$707. pledged only 377. is collected. The importance of the drive was emphasized.

Educational: Connolly on the NDP Convention.

Branch Conference: The agenda of the branch conference was read again, and will be posted. Mack is to be in charge of arrangements. It was moved that we not serve luncheon here in view of the numbers attending. Motion amended that we hold the conference at YSF house. Amendment defeated, motion carried. The executive moved that the number on the executive be increased to eleven, in light of the fact that Crandall will stand for an executive post. Motion lost. It was M/C that the Vanguard co-ordinator be an elected post. Nominations were reopened for the branch executive. Carl and Anderson nominated. For secretary, Evans and Pratt were nominated. For Vanguard co-ordinator, Evans, MacDonald, MacQuire, Johnston, Jordan Greene and W.S. nominated. For Treasurer, the executive nominated Malcolm. **Anti-war:** Brooks outlined proposed future activities, including action by the Community Committees around the SDP, leafletting the China teach in, a possible meeting for Donald Duncan, and the Fort Hood three benefit. Report adopted.

Social : Social Saturday night for comrades and close contacts.

A.D.C.: MacDonald reported on meetings for Lee here and in Hamilton.

New Business: Municipal elections; notice of motion that we not run for mayor and 2. that we do run for board of control with emphasis on Vietnam. in the campaign.

China teach-in: M/C that we strike off comrades to attend the panels that we sell the Vanguard and the ISR and if possible do a special leaflet raising the importance of Vietnam.

Leaves of absence granted to Luff and Sands.

Calender read by MacQuire, meeting adjourned 10.55

TORONTO LSA MINUTES, Oct 19, 1966

Chairman Brooks, Sgt at arms Flame *Sec Lynne*
Minutes of Oct 12 read and adopted as corrected.
Attendance: ~~xxx~~ AWR: Bill, Dunfield, Blake, Pratt, Pine.
Membership and Contacts: Brown greeted ~~WE~~ into the Branch.
Mark

Educationals: past; Tour Report. Kent commented that no political lessons were drawn by the comrades. Should have emphasized the growing strength of Trotskyism.
past internal: NDP Convention by Connolly: excellent report.
future external: no change in line-up.
m/c that Warde speak on Nov. 11, that ~~x~~ we get an outside hall, put out a good leaflet and charge admission. Importance of building this forum emphasized.
future ~~external~~: Dunfield unable to give ~~xxx~~ internal on ~~Sat~~ Nov 2.
m/c to authorize executive to designate speaker and topic.

Anti-War Report -- Brooks

- leafletting at teach-in successful
- U of T CEWV holding rally on campus Nov 11, 11AM
- Students have called for an off-campus action, including TCCEWV. We will hold week of building actions including tag selling. Rally at city hall Nov 12, 11AM to be parallel to official ceremony.

m/ that tag selling be dropped. defeated.

Report adopted.

Break, Dues and Pledges.

Educational: Sign on Quebec Labor Party Document.

Executive report on municipal elections

- NDP comrades to pressure TAC to work in elections
- LSA to run Brown for Board of Control.
- Recommended that youth run Crandall for Board of Education
- We will investigate the possibility of having one of the CEWV's (East) ~~endorse~~ support an aldermanic candidate.
- We will press the ~~TLC~~ to run Board of Control Candidates.
- The TLC will endorse Dennison, some labor people.

m/that we run Maxwell. Defeated.

m/to refer back the section dealing with running a CEWV candidate Defeated
Report adopted.

Fair Play Report -- Knight

Banquet is now one month away. We must begin organizing now. Comrades should buy and sell tickets.

Social Report- Maxwell Tickets distributed. *for League Social*

New Business: YS Toronto conference sunday at youth house. Kent speaking saturday on history of Can. Section. League comrades invited
m/c to refer to the executive the ~~xx~~ question of the anti-price hike campaign and our role in it for report next week.

Calendar read by Brown

Adjourned 10:45pm

Chairman: Bannon, Secretary Lynne, ~~Sgt. at arms, Sigmen.~~

Minutes read and adopted. Kent commented that defeated motions should not be recorded.

Membership and contacts: no report

Social Report: Maxwell. Social this Saturday is the first of the year. Comrades should sell tickets and attend. report adopted

Educational: Past external: Kent on Spanish Civil War. Maxwell felt that there should have been more emphasis on the events, Cranadall -- lessons not broadly enough drawn, Maxwell's chairing good.

Past Internal: Sigmen on X Quebec document. Kent: there was a gap in the presentation, not explained why this issue has been raised.

Future External: Bannon

Nov. 4 Soviet Union Today, speaker Brown

Nov. 11 Warde forum, carpenter's Hall.

Future Internal

m/c that Ruby give tonite's educational on Woman Question.

m/c to drop the topic 'strategy and tactics'.

~~XXXXX~~

m/c to refer replacement topic to new business

Nov. 9 Dunfielden Bolshevism & Democracy.

Anti-War: Brown. A meeting with reps from area committees and the TCC established a steering committee, projected Nov. 12 action following our projections.

U of T CEWV now has a headquarters.

Gene Young meeting Oct 27, all comrades should go
Report adopted.

Youth Fund Drive: \$805 pledged, \$540 collected.

Dues and Pledges, Break

Educational, Ruby on the Woman Question

Executive report on committees: proposals Membership and Contacts, Brown, MacDonald; Educational, Mason, Blake; Trade Union, Connolly, White; Anti-war, Mason, Lavoisiere; NDP, Saunders, Mack; Social, Malcolm, Sigmen. Report adopted.

Trade Union: Carl. Cameron running for executive in local 938 (Recording Secretary). ~~We are running against the Anti-MacDougall slate, on issue of democracy.~~

Railroads: Comrades are moving to organize the Committee for Militant Action on a modest level

Report adopted

~~NDP, Connolly, Municipal Elections~~

Municipal Elections: TLC postponed decision on mayor at CUPE's request. Executive proposed a group of Liberals and Conservatives, which we opposed. All but one endorsed. At the next meeting, the exec will recommend Dennison. A minority supports Givens.

Prices Protest; Brown: After a report and discussion, it was decided to move into the protest movement, to pressure the NDP into entering it.

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We should raise the slogan of a sliding scale ~~xx~~ for people on fixed incomes

New Business: Next Educational: Saunders on Inflation

*ADC report: Lee meetings in Toronto area: 40 or 50 in Hamilton, sponsored by UE. Campus and off campus poor attendance. Ottawa campus 150. Lee met Brewin and other MPs for dinner, we will approach them to be sponsors.

Calendar read by Brown

Adjournment ~~xx~~ 11:00pm

*Alexander Defence Cttee

Minutes of Toronto (LSA) Branch Meeting Nov. 2nd, 1966

Chairman: Bannon
Secretary: McGregor
Sgt./Arms: Flame

Minutes were read and adopted as information.

Agenda adopted as read

Correspondence: none

Attendance: Absent with reason Bill, W.B., Christian Halisen, Moore, Ruby, Pratt, Blake, White, P.B. Lynne, Eli. ~~XX~~

Membership and contacts: Motion to seat comrades from Montreal.

Motion to accept Jordans transfer to Vancouver.

Anti War: Brooks, Action Nov 12th, religious service followed by speakers Rev. App, Rabibi Finberg and John Gerassi. March to Queen's park. Leaflet now at press ready for Friday. Leaflet and mobilization from U. of T. head quarters. Gene Young meeting, attendance 45, 9 comrades, speech poor, discussion good. Report adopted.

Social Report. Maxwell, Social last Saturday, difficulties encountered distance and change in personnel, generally not a great success.

Next Social Dec 3, to be held jointly with the youth. Report adopted.

Educational: Bannon, Last external, film, more prior knowledge of the film needed for publicity, good attendance and collection, generally a success. Last internal, Women question, Ruby, generally good, points missed in educational, brought out in discussion. Good for external.

External for future: Nov 4th, Soviet Union to-day, chairman Sands, speaker Brown, Nov 11th, Novack, problems of alienation in Modern Society, chairman Maxwell, outside hall, admission. Nov 13th, Seminar Socialism, Utopian and Scientific, to be held here with admission. Nov 18th, elections, chairman not elected, speaker Brown and Grandall, Motion, ~~xxxxxxx~~ ~~xxxx~~ speaker Brown have longer time than Grandall, drafted and amended to read speakers have equal time. Nov 25th, Inflation,

Internal future: Nov 2nd, Inflation speaker Saunders, Nov 9th, Bolshavism and Bureaucracy, speaker Dunfield. Nov 16th, What is Monthly Review amended to be report by Whitman on Tour. Nov 23rd, What is Monthly Review by Lynne. Report adopted.

Financial Report: by Mack. Income \$191.64 expenditure \$450.64 in the red \$300 Report adopted.

Youth Fund Drive: by McGregor Pledged \$810. paid up \$585

M/c That the Drive now be turned over to the Youth Organiser.

Municipal Campaign: Program Committee to be setup. -Kent, Brown, Grandall and Youth Representative. Report to be brought to the next meeting on the whole Campaign.

N.D.P. Martin

T.A.C. Meeting - will have a full time organiser

Motion to "sort of" endorse Dennison and to take the labor Council

slate and remove the Tories and Liberals and other s than N.D.P.

Motion tabled re-protest and boycotts of super markets

Report adopted.

Trade Union Report: Carl: O.F.L convention - Greene and Connelly

elected as delegates

3 important issues will probably arise (a) necessary for opposition slate we will run if necessary.

(b) Injunctions - push to oppose, slogan "Injunctions illegal" -

Amended to ~~Read~~ ~~Be~~ "Injunctions Must Go"

(c) Removal of Lewis if he doesn't denounce labour statements.

Amended to Repromand Lewis.

Should call for support of price committees of Labour and N.D.P.

Fraction meetings to be held once a month.

Labour Council Meeting on 3rd ~~call~~ call for support of N.D.P. candidates and Brown and Grandall Report adopted as amended.

New Business:

Youth Report: Ruby

Major Activities Nov 11th anti war preceded by a week of activities

Amnesty Conference: Kent

Friday Night Brewin and Mc Donald speaking generally good

Sunday Afternoon: Atmosphere poor no feeling of opposition to Balasar but as soon as discussion was opened the atmosphere changed, we were generally well accepted.

Calander Read by Brown. Meeting Adjourned 11:15 p.

TORONTO LSA NOV. ⁹~~10~~ 1966

Chairman: Knight, Sgt. At Arms: Mack, Secretary: Lynne

Minutes of Oct. 26 and Nov. 3 adopted.

Correspondence: Letter from Kent re War Crimes Tribunal petition. filed.

Attendance: Cotton, Bill, Martin, Edwards, Cooke AWR

Membership and Contacts: Report by McGuire adopted.

Warde Tour: Report on meetings planned by Brown. Adopted

Educationals past: internal; Saunders on Inflation. Discussion. Commented that it was too abstract.

external; Brown on Russian Revolution.

Future line-up: No change.

Dues and Pledges.

Educational: Dunfield on Bolshevism and Democracy

Anti War: Report by Brooks. Primary responsibility of the movement in the next few days is to organize and publicize the Nov. 12 Rally.

TCC Conference Nov. 19. We will attend. Line to be discussed by fraction.

Moore gave a brief youth anti-war report.

Adopted.

Trade Union: Report by Connolly.

Report on the OFofL Convention. We ran for the executive -- CP refused to support us in this. The Convention pushed the NDP very strongly.

We received about 30% of the vote for vice-president, met some very good people including the Stelco opposition.

Railroads: Our comrades again have important posts on the Local 26 executive

Labor Council: Endorsed Dennison for mayor, Lamport, Campbell, Marks for controllers

adopted

Fair Play: Report by Knight on banquet preparations. adopted.

New Business: Election social Dec. 3

Calendar read by Brown

Adjournment 10:25

TORONTO LSA MINUTES NOV 16 1966

Chairman Moore, Sgt at arms Bannon, Secretary Lynne

Minutes adopted as read.

Correspondence: Press releases ~~x~~ regarding the vancouver mayoralty campaign

Attendance: Bill, Dunfield, Brown, Sands, Crandall, Malcolm, Johnston, Cameron, Edwards, Elliott, Krestian, Anderson, Hart, Maxwell A WR

Anti-War: Report by Brooks. The memorial was a success, with low attendance reflecting a CP boycott. We should attend the TCC conference, fraternally, to put forward our line. We will oppose any attempt to exclude Brooks.

Moore gave a youth anti-war report

Reports adopted.

Educational: Executive recommendation that in future the evaluation of educationals should be handled by the educational committee, so that a balanced report can be presented. adopted.

Past Internal: Dunfield on Bolshevism & Bureaucracy. Problem of keeping within the time limit raised.

Past external: Maxwell reported on the Warde meetings. m/c that the secretary write the SWP thanking them for releasing Warde.

Educationals Future:

External: Nov. 18: Quebec Protest Forum. m/c that we have LSA, YSF speakers, that we invite CP, PWM etc. Maxwell to chair, Kent to speak for LSA

Nov. 25 ~~Nov. 25 Maxwell will attempt to speak on inflation~~ Civic elections m/c that we attempt to get HB to speak on ~~the same~~ Dec. 2 or 9, adjusting Inflation forum accordingly.

Masson to speak on Inflation.

Internal: Next Week: Lynne on Monthly Review

Nov. 30: Canadian vs International Unions

m/c to authorize the educational committee to go ahead with setting up joint tape library with youth

m/c to set up book of the month ~~club~~ campaign.

Report adopted

Break, Educational: Whitten on Europe

Municipal Elections: recommended that ~~x~~ Maxwell be campaign manager, that we hold a touch-off meeting Monday night. carried.

Ruby reported on youth campaign.

Trade Union: Report by Carl. Postal workers meeting this week to deal with leadership settlement. We will raise slate question again at Labor Council. Connolly running on a full slate against the leadership in his RR local. Report adopted.

New Business:

Membership and Contacts: report by McGuire: importance of centralizing contact work emphasized. adopted

FPCC: Report by Knight on Banquet preparations. Membership meeting to be held Dec 8. Women in Cuba pamphlet moving ahead. FPCC committee to consist of Sands, Knight, M.

Report adopted

calendar read ~~by Maxwell~~ and journed 10:45pm

YOUNG FOR CONTROLLER HEADQUARTERS

1 Cumberland St.

Nov. 24, 1966

Dear Friends;

The civic elections of Dec. 5 are extremely important to socialists and supporters of labor's cause. The outcome will affect the working and living conditions of us all.

This year, I am the League for Socialist Action candidate for Board of Control. The press has not been giving us any real publicity -- since last Friday's Star and Tely reports, they have said not a word about us -- Wednesday's Star even left my name off the list of candidates! I trust that the ballot will not repeat this omission.

With no press coverage, we especially need your help to present the socialist alternative to the big business city government. There is no slush fund behind our campaign. Only the efforts of working men and women.

There are many ways you can help. For early birds, we carry out distributions of factory gates from 6 a.m. on. Phone 922-6665 the evening before if you'd like to take part in this project.

In the evenings, door-to-door distributions, public meetings, administrative work at the headquarters and pasting posters around the city are some of the interesting jobs requiring volunteers.

Of course, we know you will talk up the campaign among your neighbours, friends and fellow workers, and cast your own vote for Young on election day. We urge Ward Four Voters to also support Young Socialist Forum candidate John Riddell for the Board of Education.

This campaign is not a personal one. It is an effort by working men and women to project the class alternative to civic domination by the boss politicians. Many of you will remember the LSA's 1964 campaign with Ross Dowson for mayor and Patricia Mitchell for Board of Control. This year, the LSA is also running for Mayor in Vancouver with Jean Rands as candidate. We know you will want to help us in any way you can.

Fraternally,

Art Y

Candidate for
Board of Control

Toronto LSA Dec 14 1966

Chairman: Pratt. Sgt at arms: Evans Secretary: Lynne
Minutes adopted
Attendance: Carl AWR

Membership and Contacts: Report by McGuire
m/c to recruit JS on the understanding that he work in youth area
m/c three month leave of absence for Oconnor
m/c that Leon and Natalia be dropped to the rank of sympathizers.

Educational: Green on Canadian vs International Trade Unions.
Break for dues and pledges

Anti-War: Report by Brown.
m/c to organize a demonstration against the Hanoi bombing Saturday
m/c to put out an XMAS leaflet.
There will be no TCC Xmas action -- Peace Centre & TCND to hold vigil.

SOCIAL Report by Maxwell on New Years social. It will not be jointly sponsored.

Trade Union: Report by Connolly.
RR Committee for Militant Action to be revived.
militant slate in Connolly's local was defeated. campaign worthwhile.
At TDLC we will not spare criticism of election role.
Resolution coming up -- Weston to open his books.
adopted

Educational Report: Bannon
Blumenfeld Forum very ~~good~~ successful, ~~speech not so good~~.
Friday Oct. 19 Judgement at Nuremberg
Dec 23 Socialism and Xmas sp. Maxwell
Dec 30 Projections for the Coming year sp Brown
m/c Anderson to do the educational on the New Working Class
m/c Dec 28 Communist Manifesto Today speaker: McGuire

New Business: TB has joined youth
MacDonald going to Cuba

Calendar read by Brown. Adjournment 10:25pm

Minutes of Toronto LSA December 21/66

m/c Hart be secretary
m/c Elliot be chairman
m/c White be seargent_at-arms

Minutes -- amended and adopted
m/c to file correspondence

Attendance-- a/r Lynne, Moore, Pearce, Macgregor, Connolly,
Martin, Carl, Massen, Grant, Pine, Cooke, Bates l/r Grandall
m-c seat G.A.

m/c we recommend to educational committee that on return of Kent
from tour we hold a forum on the LSA and what Trotskyism is.

Membership-- report from McGuire

m/c we accept M.M. into branch

m/c we grant ~~xxxx~~leave of absence to Lynne provided he goes to Europe

m/c to adopt report

Anti-war --report by Brooks

U.S. consulate action a success--80 or 70 mobilized-- 15 boycott

Mid-town committee--Time of the Locust a success

35 people came out, speakout a highlight, new people drawn out by
door to door leaflet distribution

--emphasize the importance of utilizing the leaflet before Christmas by all
the committees

Professors committee--250 profs have agreed to statement calling for
a cease of bombings and withdrawal as soon as possible.

--40 at Monday meeting --War crimes Tribunal raised gently --some opposi-
tion

Newsletter--new sub blanks out-- all out effort to boost the Newsletter
NC of youth has decided to have a big conference March 4,5 in Ottawa
to consolidate a national student movement

-- attempt to get a big speaker (Sartre if possible) for connection with
the Tribunal

--discusaion on a confederation mobilization at Expo in Montreal hitting
Canadian complicity

m/c to adopt report

m/c to seat B.D.

Educational report

evaluation of past internal--Green on Canadian vs International trade union
evaluation of past external-- Judgement at Nuremberg

Dec 23 prev. adopted Socialism and xmas-- Maxwell

m/c Ruby be chairman

Dec 30 prev. adopted Projections for the coming year- Brown

Jan 6 adopted-- International War Crimes Tribunal

m/c K.W. speak.

Jan 13 Forum on Hugo Blanco --to take the form of a protest

m/c we leave forum open until more information available.

Jan 20 adopted- John Caru on situation on Ghana

Jan 27 adopted- Forum on Confederation

m-c Grandall be speaker

m/c we hold a public protest meeting for Hugo Blanco--called
by Pearce, inviting us and profs to speak, etc.

Internals:

Dec 21, previously adopted-- New Working Class-- Anderson

Dec 28, previously adopted-- Communist Manifesto Today- ~~Arnold~~ McGuire

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Internals (cont'd)

Jan 4- adopted- What is money M
m/c Pratt be speaker
Jan 25- Socialism Utopian and Scientific
m/c Dunfield be speaker
m/c ~~km~~ report be adopted.

Social Report- Maxwell
- report on Christmas dinner
- New Year's social- ~~bring contacts out~~
m/c to adopt the report

Trade Union Report - Connolly
- Report on railway settlement- 24% over three years - precedent of
3 year contract - contract rejects proposals forcing company
to ensure job displacement by automation
- large opposition expected

Labour council -- division on municipal slate increasing
report adopted

New Business: m/c leave of absence for Grant

Calendar read by Brown

adjourned 10:45pm

TORONTO LSA MINUTES Dec 28, 1966

Chairman Sands, Sgt at arms Maxwell, Secretary Lynne

minutes adopted

Attendance: Krestianenhausen, Crandall, Dunfield, JS, ^{MacVin} ~~Carl~~, Whitton, Connolly, McGuire AWR

agenda adopted

Membership: m/c to seat Houghton
m/c 3 week's leave of absence for MacGregor
m/c to cancel Lynne's leave of absence

Anti-war: report by Brooks

m/c the anti-war committee consist of Brooks, Moore, Lavoisier, Brown.

m/c Whitton be CVN sub-drive co-ordinator.

Fort Hood 3 benefit probable in early Feb.

Report on March 4-5 action, possible July 1 action

report adopted

Educational past report by Bannon

internal: ^{Anderson} ~~Anderson~~ on New Working Class

external: Maxwell on Christmas.

Educational future external

Dec. 30 Socialist Perspective. Brown speaker, Flame chairman

Jan 5 The War Crimes Tribunal

Jan 20 Guyana

Jan 27 Confederation

Blanco forum date to be set.

internal

Dec 28 Communist manifesto Today

Jan 3 Money

Jan 10 Socialism, Utopian and Scientific.

Break. Dues and pledges. Educational -- McGuire on Communist Manifesto.

Social: report by Maxwell

report on New Years social preparations. Report on Xmas dinner

m/c to send a note of thanks to Cameron.

Quebec Committee -- report by Lavoisier

Jan 17 -- a representative of the Montreal Human Rights Committee to speak

report adopted.

New Business:

Report on GE strike. Cotton working with JG

Trade union fraction Monday -- TDLC slate to be discussed

Good and welfare: report on the new press. Comrades are not to discuss it outside the movement.

Calendar read by Brown

Adjournment 10:10

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THE NEED FOR SOCIALISM

The members of the Alberta Socialist Caucus are first and foremost socialists: we say that the great resources of Canada should be controlled, not by a few for private profit, but by the whole Canadian people for the common good. As socialists, we advocate the social ownership of the means of production; and we believe that this democratic transformation of our society must be brought about by the working people of Canada.

We do not for a moment attach any importance to the hypocritical and dishonest attempts of capitalist propagandists and reactionaries in general to pretend that socialism is out-of-date and old-fashioned. The inherent contradictions and injustices of capitalist society persist; the exploitation of the many by the few continues; the irrationality and anarchy of an economic system that requires war or the threat of war for its continued functioning have not at all been resolved, but every day bring mankind closer to the edge of nuclear destruction. Capitalism is, unfortunately, still very much in fashion.

The roots of the material and spiritual limitations imposed by our profit-motivated society must still be traced back to the capitalist system of property and the social and political power which stems from property: so long as capitalism continues to exist, it will be necessary to fight it, and socialism will always be on the agenda. Far from being out-of-date or old-fashioned, socialism, which is the only viable alternative to the immoral and exploitative capitalist system, is more than ever an urgent necessity.

We do not share the pessimism which has infected some of our Canadian "progressives", who refer to North American "affluence", to the ideological backwardness of the Canadian working class — a backwardness exceeded only by the ignorant and reactionary illusions of many "middle class" elements — and to the hold of conservative prejudices on the popular fancy, as evidence for their view that we socialists should pack up our bags and give up the struggle for socialism. On the contrary, we take a very optimistic view of the present situation. At the international, national and provincial levels, all sorts of new opportunities are opening up for socialist action.

In the international arena, the United States, the leading capitalist power, has been guilty of a whole series of nakedly aggressive acts, culminating in its war against the people of Viet Nam. By intervening throughout the world as a self-appointed policeman, the United States inadvertently renders a great service to the cause of socialism: the crude attempts of the American ruling class to use the immense economic and military power of the United States to repress the national and social aspirations of small and underdeveloped countries have been so clumsily executed and badly disguised that they have inevitably antagonized men and women of decent feeling throughout the world. The aggressive nature of the capitalist system is being exposed for all to see. Consequently, many Canadians, particularly young Canadians, have entered radical politics for the first time through their participation in the growing anti-war movement. The United States' war against the people of Viet Nam is breeding socialists in Canada, as well as in Viet Nam.

As the Johnson administration continues to escalate its aggression in Viet Nam, so also will consumer product prices and the cost of living continue to skyrocket in North America. As a result, broad layers of the Canadian working class will in turn be swept into the "escalating" movement against the war, with a new realization of the political — socialist — implications of that opposition.

The complicity of the Canadian government in the American attempt to crush the legitimate aspirations of the Vietnamese people has demonstrated, more than any abstract arguments, the way in which Canada, when ruled by parties representing capitalist interests, is completely subservient to American imperialism. Like the flunky it is, the government of Canada bows and scrapes before the whims

of its master; but the rear view exposed by these genuflections is not one that Canadians find attractive. Hence, the logic of the situation is leading people to make the proper inference about the connection between U.S. aggression and the backwardness of our own social system. As soon as the anti-war movement takes up the slogan **An End to Canadian Complicity!**, it begins to clear the battle-lines for the fight against Canadian capitalism. It is the task of socialists and members of the Socialist Caucus to take advantage of this new awareness and show that only socialism is capable of providing a satisfactory analysis of Canadian complicity in American aggression, and only socialism is capable of providing a satisfactory alternative.

At the national level, the two conservative parties are up to their necks in dirt, and visible corruption is the order of the day. Each of the major capitalist parties tries to outdo the other in dirt-digging and scandal-mongering. The present "crisis of parliament" is in fact the crisis of the capitalist parties, a crisis produced by their unwillingness and inability to resolve the fundamental social problems of Canadian society. The recent increase in electoral support for the NDP are largely the result of public disillusionment with traditional party politics.

In recent years, English-Canadian socialists have been inspired and encouraged by the new militancy of the Quebec labor, farm, and student movements. Although it has not yet translated into a viable political form, through the formation of a Quebec labor-socialist party, the new national and social consciousness of French-Canadians has revealed once more and in striking fashion the tendency of any profoundly popular movement to assume a left-wing orientation, and to arrive at socialist conclusions.

As the capitalist politicians search desperately for "safe" issues to attract waning popular support, the Canadian working people, who produce all the wealth of this country, find themselves everywhere the victims of the "success" of our economic system. The sole criterion for success in capitalist society is profit, not human welfare. Automation, instead of merely providing the means by which we can obtain more goods for less human labor, presents itself as a threat to employment. Many sections of the Canadian working class are now feeling job insecurity, and actual or threatened unemployment.

Younger workers are, in many ways, the hardest hit by the capitalist profit-drive. Last hired, and first fired, they survive as little more than cheap labor; and even capitalist statisticians are expressing serious doubts about the ability of the present system to absorb the tremendous number of young people leaving the schools and colleges to enter the "labor market" in the next few years. Evidence from across the country — for example, the startling increase in wildcat strikes and militant demonstrations challenging anti-labor laws such as injunctions; mostly initiated by the increasingly impatient and relatively uninhibited younger workers — suggests that these young Canadians are now beginning to look for a way of hitting back at the system which oppresses them.

At the provincial level, Alberta is still, after thirty-one years, under the autocratic rule of the Social Credit regime. This regime has in effect turned Alberta into a one-party state, and it attempts to dictate almost every aspect of social life in the province. Like many semi-fascist movements, Social Credit in Alberta was originally fond of presenting itself as the party of the "little man" and the opponent of capitalism, but this image has long ago tarnished, and it is now transparently clear that Social Credit is in fact nothing more than the most ruthless instrument of those very trusts which it once purported to oppose. Under the guise of religion and Absolute Morality, the real success of the Social Credit regime depends upon the ease with which it horse-trades Alberta's natural resources with American big business. In Alberta, just as at the national level, it is easy to see the complete subservience of capitalist politicians to the economic strength of American imperialism. It should be equally obvious that the other capitalist parties in no way present a valid alternative to Socred policies, and that only socialists can lead the fight for a new Alberta.

But even now, while the Social Credit autocracy occupies over ninety per cent of the seats in the provincial legislature, a majority of the population is opposed to this party of absurd theories, anti-semitism, and religious fervour. It is up to socialists to take advantage of the great discrepancy between Social Credit's almost total legislative power and its popular support, which, even by the standard of voting behaviour, is confined to a minority of the population.

THE NEW DEMOCRATIC PARTY

As socialists, our aim must be to find the best area in which to fight for a socialist program. Members of the Socialist Caucus are members of the New Democratic Party, and we advocate building the NDP and working for it in all the ways required of NDP members. Of course, we do not have any illusions about the party. We do not claim, and it would be foolish to claim, that the NDP is a socialist party. The NDP is basically a reformist party which, particularly insofar as its present leadership is concerned, goes no further than proposals confined to minor alterations in the capitalist system, and dedicated above all to the hopeless task of "making capitalism work".

However, the party is based essentially on the working class — the only class which has no stake in the continued existence of capitalism — and the trade unions. As such, the NDP represents an important step in the direction of a break with capitalist politics.

For all its potential, however, the NDP has so far failed to respond to the tasks which face Canadian workers. Recent developments have only highlighted this failure. Although over one-third of the Canadian people, according to public opinion surveys, are opposed to the Canadian government's support of American intervention in Viet Nam, the party has made little effort to mobilize this sentiment and give it leadership. Not content with confining itself to a few tokenist speeches in Parliament — speeches which scarcely go further than the stated positions of Johnson's liberal Democratic Party "advisers" in the United States — some elements of the NDP leadership have even red-baited the anti-war movement, and attempted to proscribe collaboration of party members with other anti-war activists. Thus the movement against the war in Viet Nam has been forced to develop outside the NDP, to bypass it, and in some cases to combat the restrictions imposed by the party leadership, who fear the Viet Nam issue precisely because it exposes the bankruptcy of their own pro-capitalist panaceas. For example, although Canadian shipment of war materials to the United States for use in Viet Nam takes place under the NORAD agreements, which the NDP is committed by convention resolution to oppose, the party's federal leadership has declined to denounce these agreements. Although NATO, the cornerstone of Canadian capitalism's military strategy, has for a long time been nuclear-armed, the NDP leaders both in and out of Parliament, with few exceptions, have failed to call for immediate withdrawal from the alliance as provided for in the party program.

Nor has the party lived up to its potential and responsibility in other areas. Although the CPR has recently come under fire for its elimination of branch lines, and inadequate box car and passenger service, the NDP leadership has failed to take up the demand raised by prairie farm and labor organizations, including the Alberta Federation of Agriculture, for the nationalization of the CPR and its integration with the CNR in a publicly-owned and controlled transportation network. The resolution to this effect by the recent Alberta NDP convention has remained just that — a paper commitment.

Instead of responding positively and enthusiastically to the growing national and social ferment in Quebec, the party has moved away from its recognition at the founding convention of French Canada's national character, to drop its support of Quebec's right to self-determination, and to speak now of simply a "two culture" Canadian state. And the shocking implications of the party leadership's pro-cap-

italist ideology were revealed most clearly in the recent Quebec election, when it did not run a single candidate, preferring instead to leave the field to the capitalist parties of the Liberals and Union Nationale.

However, the NDP is not a monolithic whole: it contains many differing tendencies, some of which take positions very much more progressive than the liberal postures which are characteristically assumed by the bureaucracy of the party. The New Democratic Party therefore presents an opportunity for socialists to argue for a socialist program; and, since the NDP is at least partially a labor party, socialists are provided with an opportunity to present their program to the Canadian working class. For all these reasons, we urge that socialists join and support the party. The task in the immediate future is to fight for a socialist program in the NDP.

In Alberta, the political situation on the left has clarified in the last four or five years. It is now evident that there have been three main channels for socialist activity. Some socialists have found it convenient to co-operate in a relatively uncritical way with the right-wing leaders of the NDP, in the hope of gaining individual positions of power. This opportunist approach has been based on the erroneous assumption either that one can "win the hearts" of the leaders, or that one can take over their positions by personal intrigue. As against this opportunist approach, the Alberta Socialist Caucus advocates free and frank political argument of a principled kind.

Others have seen that in order to fight for a socialist program it is necessary from time to time to speak out against the policies adopted by the reformist leadership, but they have tended to act as comparatively isolated individuals, and hence have not been notably successful. As a consequence, they have tended to become demoralized and, in one way or another, inactive. To these socialists, we offer the Alberta Socialist Caucus as a means of binding together and organizing socialists in the NDP.

A third group have preferred, in effect, to stay out of the NDP altogether: "The NDP", they say, "is not a pure socialist party, so we want no part of it." — though many of them did not apply the same argument to the CCF. And, particularly when they discovered that the NDP leaders were not prepared to go to any great lengths to recruit them to the party, they retreated into the safe purity of non-political discussion groups and political inaction. In effect, they said: "If the NDP doesn't want us, we don't want the NDP."

The Alberta Socialist Caucus hopes to avoid the mistake of "purists". This is simply no place for this mixture of purity and petulance in a political struggle. Radical intellectuals have a great deal to contribute to the fight for socialism, but they must not try to impose the standards of the classroom on political realities. A worker knows that to get the job done you have to roll up your sleeves and get your hands dirty. The true custodians of all political morality all too often opt out of practical politics.

The members of the Alberta Socialist Caucus announce their aim, which is to work to build the NDP and to fight for a socialist program within the party. In this, we are following in the steps of socialists in B.C. and Ontario, who some time ago initiated the formation of left-wing caucuses to render most effective their work within the party. It should be made absolutely clear that the Socialist Caucus is not a political rival of the NDP, but the group of like-minded socialists **within** the party who will work in every way for the growth of the NDP. It is our view that the NDP can hope for a substantial growth in the future only if it adopts a socialist program.

A SOCIALIST PROGRAM FOR THE N.D.P.*

The solution to the problems facing the working people of Canada is to be found in the establishment of a true political and economic democracy whereby the basic means of production and distribution, and all our vast natural resources, shall be owned and controlled by the people of Canada. Hand in hand with this new approach to economic and political democracy should go a new approach to the problems of war and peace. With these basic principles as our guide, we propose the following socialist program for an NDP — workers and farmers — government:

- 1 Canadian withdrawal from all military alliances, particularly NATO and NORAD.
- 2 Active support of the national liberation struggle in Africa, Latin America, and Asia. Consistent opposition to the attempts of American imperialism to crush revolutionary movements for national independence and social justice.
- 3 Self-determination for the French-Canadian nation, not excluding separation from the Canadian confederation.
- 4 Public ownership of all monopolies and foreign-owned industries, including the entire war-production and transport industries, and the planned development of secondary industries. The operation of those industries to be managed by the workers themselves through their own committees.
- 5 Public ownership of all financial institutions, including banks, and insurance and loan companies.

These five points represent some of the basic demands we make as socialists. But we also propose certain minimum steps which must be taken now in order to deal with immediate needs — demands which should be immediately adopted by the NDP, and which should provide a rallying point for all progressives.

At the national level:

- 1 Planned development of important Canadian durable and non-durable manufacturing industries under public ownership.
- 2 To meet the challenge of automation, and place the burden of technological improvements on capital, not the workers, we propose:
 - (a) establishment of a six-hour day and a thirty-hour week, without any reduction in take-home pay.
 - (b) in the face of inflationary rises in the cost of living, which rose 3.5% last year, and is expected by government spokesmen to rise 4.0% this year, far exceeding hard-won wage increases, the NDP must solidarize with the trade union militants' demand for an escalator clause in all collective agreements, allowing for an automatic rise in wages, salaries, and pensions, in relation to the increase in prices of consumer goods, over and above existing negotiated wage rates.
 - (c) Calculation of the cost of living and of the corresponding necessary wage levels is not to be left to government boards, which generally serve the employers' interests, but to workers' committees set up by the trade unions and farmers' organizations themselves.
- 3 In the context of the present working day and week, a minimum wage of \$1.75 per hour.
- 4 Revision of the Unemployment Insurance Act to cover all workers and to provide adequate benefits covering the entire period of unemployment, and the general upward revising of insurance benefits to equal wages normally earned, at union rates of pay.
- 5 Guarantee of jobs to young Canadians leaving school; and, failing this,

* Membership in the Socialist Caucus is **not** conditional upon agreement with all of these specific proposals.

extension of the Unemployment Insurance Act to provide coverage for this group.

- 6 Legislation of a mandatory three-week holiday with pay after one year of employment.
- 7 Unilateral disarmament for Canada.
- 8 Universal free education, including technical-vocational, college and university. Provision of adequate maintenance allowances for those attending institutions of higher learning.
- 9 Legislation precluding arbitrary political, racial, social, or economic discrimination, either direct or indirect, against any individual or group. Repeal of any law which runs counter to this principle.
- 10 Mandatory public statements of economic situation, including percentage profit increases, of all firms, with provision for criminal prosecution in cases of evasion.

At the **provincial level**, the Alberta Socialist Caucus proposes that the NDP launch a systematic educational and propaganda program based on a total critique of Social Credit and Alberta under Social Credit rule. Furthermore, the program of the NDP in Alberta should present, in the most open way, the following demands:

- 1 Public ownership of the whole oil and gas industry as part of a planned economy.
- 2 Wage parity with British Columbia.
- 3 Abolition of all government boards which exercise arbitrary and irresponsible power.
- 4 Democratic reform of the whole electoral system, including thorough redistribution of the provincial electoral boundaries in order to give due representation to the urban population.
- 5 Legislation against all racial, political and economic discrimination in Alberta. Repeal of all segments of the law which run counter to this principle, particularly anti-labor law.
- 6 Legislation making it illegal for any provincial government official to interfere, directly or indirectly, with the freedom of expression of teachers and students in the schools and universities.

Unemployment, insecurity, attacks on welfare programs, limitations on freedom of expression, the continual risk of war — all of these injustices will be with us so long as we condone an economic system in which all the national resources, and the principle means of production and distribution are owned, controlled and operated for the private profit of a small minority.

We socialist members of the NDP say that no NDP government should rest content until we have eradicated capitalism and put into operation a program of socialized planning leading to the establishment of a socialist commonwealth. We appeal for the support of all Albertans prepared to work for this program and the future of humanity.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Editor, Alberta Labour,
Dear Sir:

Either C.L.C. Research Director Eugene Forsey is incredibly naive, or he has just played a monstrous joke on the readers of Alberta Labour.

In "The Problem is: One Nation or Two" (May, '66), Bro. Forsey reduces the French-Canadian national question to the following propositions: a) "constitutionally", Quebec is not a nation, Canada is one nation; b) Quebec's secession without an Act of the British Parliament at the request of the Canadian Senate and House of Commons and without the unanimous consent of the provinces, would constitute "revolution"; and c) if Quebec seceded, "we would have to let her". Therefore, he concludes, the question is "Should Canada be two political nations?"

Having reduced the complex national question to simple legalistic terms even he can understand, he easily disposes of the "impractical" proposals of such conservative groups as the St. Jean Baptiste Society for

the political separation of Quebec and/or associate state status, and cautiously projects his own "minimum" solution to the problem: token "concessions" to French-Canadians such as bilingualism in the civil service, courts and New Brunswick, more French schools, more federal cabinet posts, and the right to speak French for all MPs and provincial MLAs.

In fact, the problem is not so simple as he pretends. The roots of French-Canadian nationalism lie in Quebec's lower wages (17 per cent below Ontario's), its lower average personal income (only 68 per cent that of Ontario), and its high unemployment (over 40 per cent of the Canadian total). The protest of French-Canadian workers against these conditions tends to assume a "national" form because over 80 per cent of Quebec industry is owned by non-French-Canadians. In Quebec, "capital speaks English", and it is this foreign ownership and domination of the Quebec economy which is at the root of the national oppression of the

French-Canadian nation.

Forsey, however, considers none of this significant; he dismisses these and other relevant features of the question with a sweeping aside to the effect that Canada is at present an "overwhelmingly English-dominated nation . . . because of a variety of historical circumstances into which I need not enter here . . .". It is not simply a question of bilingual traffic signs or French schools in English-speaking provinces; if it were, the powers-that-be in the federal government would long ago have resolved this "problem" — which they fear for its potentially explosive threat to the very powerful vested interests they so faithfully serve. The fact is, the French-Canadian national question is fundamentally a social — a class — question. And any real solution to it must begin with measures to put the control of Quebec industries into the hands of those who operate them, the French-Canadian workers. Such a solution cannot be dependent simply on the "good-will" of the present

rulers of this country, whether in Ottawa or Quebec City. It can only be carried out by large-scale nationalization of those industries; and only a workers' and farmers' government — the perspective posed by the growing popular support for the Canadian labor party, the New Democratic Party — can seriously hope to meet this task. Clearly, a growing number of French-Canadians feel similarly, and they manifested their views concretely in the quarter-million votes they gave the NDP in last November's federal election. Far better to work for an NDP government than to look to the impractical "solutions" of gentlemen like Dr. Forsey . . . who has refused to join the NDP simply because he could not accept that party's thoroughly correct recognition of the existence of two Canadian nations. Without an NDP government in Ottawa, Quebec separation may indeed become a real possibility.

Fraternally,
Richard Fidler, member,
Local 99, CBRT.

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Editorial

Unjust Facts

The need for a complete revision of Canada's Labor Laws has already been stressed in these columns and two recent events can only serve to underline the urgency of the need. It will surprise no one that both these cases involve the use of injunctions in labor disputes. What will surprise many is the frequency and variety of reasons for which these court orders are granted to the employers.

In the first case in Peterborough, Ontario twenty-five trades unions were found guilty of criminal contempt of court as a result of a mass demonstration outside the strike bound Tileo plant protesting the limiting of pickets to a token twelve. The strike was legal—the demonstration was peaceful but nevertheless the sentences of up to a maximum of five months imprisonment will come as a shock to many readers.

In B.C. the question is whether the law by means of an injunction can force men to work on a legal holiday when they do not wish to do so. Apparently it can according to the judge who sentenced the president of the Canadian district International Longshoremens and Warehousemens Union and nine local presidents to heavy fine or three months in jail but were bailed out

Minutes, Edmonton branch, Sept. 28/66

chairman: Tolmin

Sec'ty: Brock

Attendance: all present and accounted for

Minutes of previous meeting read and adopted.

Business arising from minutes:

- a) Obed Nteso has agreed to be correspondent for the ADC.
- b) The Novack tour appearance on campus will almost certainly be sponsored by the Philosophy Dept. with an honorarium in addition to travel expenses likely. Two profs. have agreed to take the matter up.
- c) The NDY has expressed interest in sponsoring Novack's evening meeting on "Alienation".
m/c that we press for joint Socialist Caucus-NDY sponsorship of this meeting.

Correspondence: letter from Toronto branch organizer read and filed. Brock quoted excerpts from letter from A. Adair of Vancouver branch, concerning Duncan's projected tour, and recruitment of O.P., formerly of Edmonton. The latest catalogue of SWP tapes has arrived here from Chicago. Tolmin ~~xxxx~~ announced intention of ISR to carry his critique of Macpherson-Mardiros exchange which had been distributed at Banff conference in June.

Membership and Contacts: discussion of various people at the tour meeting, in particular R.L. and KL.

NDP: The NDY has invited our comrades to help out in the Pincher-Creek by-election this weekend. Scarlett will be going down along with about 25 NDYers.

The Socialist Caucus canvas for funds is still bogged down. Consensus that we should get list of financial sources from Ros., and contact them ourselves.

Educational: m/c that this item be placed after business on agenda.

Anti-War: Brock reported on ECEWV exec. meeting. A telegram to Lt.-Gen. Train protesting treatment of Fort Hood three was sent. General feeling that Donald Duncan meeting for which \$500 must be paid to Duncan is beyond means of committee. (Brock to write Jeff W. in Ottawa requesting further details on this.) The ECEWV appears to envisage its major activity this fall as soliciting funds for an advertisement for the Edmonton Journal, the ad. to consist of an "Explanation" of what is happening in Vietnam, of what the Canadian government "should be doing" (a proposal to explain what the Can. Govt. is doing, was defeated), and concluding with a list of organizations in the Edmonton area which oppose the Vietnam war in some way, with the note that if you are interested in fighting the war, you should contact one or more of the following organizations.

Comrades

By Woodsworth - June,
N.A., Vancouver, C.P., etc.

held considerable discussion on the perspectives, or lack of them, for this committee. Scarlett and Tolmin pointed out that it did not really constitute a membership committee, that it had not held a membership meeting since last March, that it was in fact a rather poor front for the Woods-worth-Irvine group, or at least the latter's ideology and prejudices. Discussion on this topic recessed till after this evening's educational.

m/c that we sell the C/V Newsletter on campus on Friday. Scarlett has already had considerable success with C/V N sales on campus.

Dues and Pledges: Comrades were reminded that we must approach youth contacts for contributions to YSF fund drive. Our quota is \$50.

m/c that the newly-elected treasurer (see below) give a report on the state of our finances, including amount of dues and expected pledges, at next meeting.

New Business: report on Tour meeting. General feeling was that it was a big success. About 70 people present, many of them never seen around the left before. NDY sponsored the meeting. About \$15 worth of literature, including some of the most explicitly "Trotskyist" material, was sold, and about \$7 collected as contributions to the Tour at the door. Even the right-wing and centrist NDYers were very favorably impressed. This was the first public meeting of the U of A NDY for this year and, next to the Staughton Lynd meeting last March (which we had also organized for them), it was their biggest meeting ever. Comrades pointed out that our comrades had had to conduct all the publicity, that we had received little direct cooperation from the NDY leadership proper.

elections: m/c that there be the following positions, to be filled by the comrades whose names follow each position:

Organizer: Scarlett

Sec'ty: Brock

Treasurer: Page

Educational Director: Tolmin

Calendar: next meeting to be held Thursday, Oct. 6th.

NDY campus club meeting next Tuesday. election of officers.

m/c that Page and Scarlett run for positions.

Educational: Scarlett on Anti-War movement.

During discussion following talk, it was m/c that our primary objective should be the formation of a campus membership committee against the Vietnam war. Tolmin raised the question of building a city committee, given absence of leadership from the ECEWV. m/c that we press all our contacts in the city NDY and Socialist Caucus to attend the membership meeting of the ECEWV to be held Fri. Oct. 7th to adopt the text of the newspaper ad., and that our main objective be to achieve a majority at the meeting for those forces which

~~xxxxxx~~ support the slogans of Immediate and Unconditional withdrawal of U.S. troops, and An End to Canadian Complicity. That Brock press in ECEWV exec. meeting this next Sunday to have elections ~~xxxxxx~~ of officers scheduled for Fri. x nite meeting, and that if elections are held, we try to form our own slate, and restore the committee to what it should be.

m/c further that we initiate our open campaign for a campus committee at the NDY meeting this next Tuesday nite.

Future Educationals: Organizer and Educational director to decide topic for meeting two weeks' hence.
next week: Page on the document, The Labor Party Question in Québec.

Adjournment: 11:15 pm (meeting had commenced at 8:30 pm)

minutes, Edmonton branch, Oct. 6/66.

meeting commenced: 8:30 pm

Chairman: Page

Sec'ty: Brock

Minutes of last meeting read and adopted

Correspondence: Scarlett read letter from Political Committee re decision to hold Eastern conf. on Québec and National Question on Dec. 17-18, to be followed soon after by Western conf. Discussion: m/c that sec'ty write League sec'ty requesting a change in the date of the Eastern conf. to preferably some time between Xmas and New Years' Day, in order to allow participation by western comrades desirous of doing so.

Scarlett read note from League secty suggesting we inform comrade J.B. of all meetings of Edmonton branch. m/c file.

Letter from tour read and filed.

Letter from J.W. of Ottawa in reply to request re Duncan meeting, read and filed.

Communiqués re bombing of SWP office New York read and filed.

Membership and contacts: Discussion of G., R.S., R.C., Joe B., T.F. Scarlett gave report on contacts she met on trip to Pincher Creek.

Finances: No reply yet to Scarlett's letter to Central office re breakdown of financial responsibilities between CO and League, and criteria for pledges. Page reported that we owe \$13 to YSF, and \$17.55 to League, and Brock reported that addition of further literature debt hitherto in his name would bring this latter figure to around \$35.

m/c that Page, Scarlett, Brock solicit funds for YSF at NDY social tonite, where they are celebrating by-election victory.

NDP-NDY: Page reported on NDY high school campaign. She is on organizing committee as an adviser. Situation still slightly unorganized: Strathcona kids went to administration first instead of setting off on their own. Good situation shaping up in Jasper Place. Page has good contacts with the activists.

Brock reported on appearance of first issue of NDY's Newsletter. Altho originally intended to be nationally circulated, it is already of purely local ^{orientation} interest. First issue entirely written by W. Coulter. Major article questions validity of socialists of which the author includes himself) continuing to work in NDP with its growing "welfare-state orientation". Article opens with quotation from "Lev Davidovitch Bronstein" on workers' control and the anachronism of the social-democratic "minimum program", and contrasts to this a typical statement from David Lewis. Gist of

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article appears to be that NDYers who are socialists should not waste their time working in NDP.

m/c that Tolmin write a reply to Coulter's article and submit it for publication in Newsletter.

Discussion of NDY campus club's campaign ~~xxxx~~ against withdrawal of U of A Council from Canadian Union of Students.

Comrades reported on meeting of campus NDY club Tuesday nite. Highlights included decision of club by overwhelming majority to initiate the formation of a campus-based Vietnam membership committee, first meeting of which to be held Friday; Page and Scarlett were elected to club executive; and when Novakowski and Rebecca Coulter (exec. members) objected to Dick F's voting in election of officers on grounds that he was not a bona fide member of club, the club voted (with only the aforementioned members opposed) to support Dick's ~~application~~ appeal to the provincial councils of NDY and NDP this fall. About 50 members were present. Brock sold some literature and subs. Comrades commented on the large number of new elements around the NDY.

Report on progress re Socialist Caucus financial appeal.

Scarlett reported on Pincher Creek-Crowsnest visit. The NDY will be establishing a club with the very fine elements they have met during the by-election.

Tolmin raised question of importance of comrades joining NDP as well as NDY. m/c that all comrades take out membership in NDP if they have not already done so.

Anti-War: Discussion of plans for founding meeting of campus committee tomorrow. m/c that we propose joint sponsorship with ECEWV of Donald Duncan meeting; that we raise suggestion of leafleting of crowds at big Remembrance Day parade Nov. 11; that we build the committee around SDP.

Brock reported on ECEWV exec. meeting Monday nite. Committee agreed to sponsor Duncan meeting, reversing its former proposal to ~~pinxxxxxxx~~ simply campaign for full-page ad. in Edmonton Journal. Membership meeting (first in 7 months) tomorrow nite.

Scarlett reported on latest developments for Student Days of Protest.

Educational Report: Tolmin reported that Philosophy dept. is now definitely sponsoring Novack's appearance on campus. Mardiros is writing to invite him. Meeting to be Nov. 8th, unfortunately in middle of examinations. Tolmin to write Novack and Crandall explaining arrangements.

Tolmin will be speaking at University of Victoria and UBC ~~xx~~ next month. His topic at the latter meeting, where he is to address the political science association, will probably be ~~xxxxxxx~~ on Vietnam.

(Oct 6/66)

m/c that following be lineup for educational
for next meetings:

- 1) Stalinism and Bolshevism -- Tolmin
- 2) Socialism and War -- Page
- 3) Uneven and Combined Development
in History -- Brock

and m/c that we buy the following ~~tape~~ tapes from
Chicago SWP, for the projected series of external classes:

- (not necessarily to be presented in this order)
- 1) Theory of Perm. Rev'n -- D. Weiss 154-57
 - 2) Marxism and the Negro Struggle -- E. Sell
150-1
 - 3) The R. R. of '17 -- Theo. Edwards 249
 - 4) Warde's intro. to Capital 104
 - 5) Evolution of Democracy from the Greeks
-- WFW 120 - 23
 - 6) the three Malcolm X tapes.

New Business:

m/c that we aim for curfew of 11pm for meetings.
Comrades to sell YSF on Tuesday morning at
Jasper Place.

Educational: Page on Brock document on Labor Party Question in Québec.
Discussion followed. m/c that we continue the
discussion next meeting, moving the educational
schedule back one week.

Adjournment: 11:55 pm.

minutes, Edmonton branch, Oct. 12/66

meeting commenced 2:15 pm

chairman: Scarlett
secty: Brock

Minutes of previous meeting read and adopted

Correspondance: Tolmin read his letter to Novack re Edmonton meeting
Brack announced probable change in Québec conference date.
Letter from Tour read and filed
Discussion of Calgary contact Art mentions in letter.

Memberships and Contacts:

discussion of C.O. and K.L. m/c that we raise question of membership with K.L.

Finances:

dues collected
Page announced that she is opening an account in the local Credit Union under Vanguard Publishing Association.

NDY-NDP:

Executive of campus club meets tomorrow nite.
Discussion of latest developments around the SDP.
(see anti-war below)

Discussion of high-school campaign

~~xxxxxx~~ Tolmin announced that article for Coulter's Newsletter will be in on or shortly after weekend.
Scarlett announced that she has copies of U of I resolutions and constitution ~~for~~ to provide base for our own resolutions and constitutional suggestions at next meeting NDY.

Anti-War:

Brock reported on latest developments with Duncan meeting. Vancouver meeting postponed till mid-December, and Ramparts says we can have meeting the following nite. Winnipeg and Toronto have also expressed interest in having meeting for Duncan, according to Ramparts officer.

Discussion of the Campus committee's meeting Tuesday. NDY and SUPA leadership, fearing that committee would provide a new base of support for the "Trotskyists" (their fear reinforced by first meeting of the committee) packed the meeting with their supporters as a result of frantic ~~phone~~ canvas by phone of their members the night before. Many persons at the meeting had no intention of participating in Vietnam committee, but had come only to pack elections. An NDYer chairing the meeting started off by calling for elections. These were held and the result was a very weak ~~xxxxxxx~~ executive -- the chairman (Rebecca Coulter) for example, was even opposed to having a committee the week before. Although she ran for every position, Colleen L. was consistently rejected, usually getting only 7 or 8 votes out of a total of about 45. The ensuing discussion about activity for SDP saw a sharp struggle between advocates of a vigil, led by Pat. Connell of SUPA and Ken N. of NDY, and the militants, who favored a demonstration and dis-

tribution of leaflets to crowds at Remembrance Day ceremonies. Final compromise included something of both suggestions.

The meeting as a whole had a very unpleasant red-baiting atmosphere. Reaction among our small number of supporters was quite healthy, however. No suggestion that we walk away.

Comrades agreed that there are one or two people on exec. we can work with, albeit in limited way. Brock and Scarlett reported that today (the day following meeting) there is a reaction of disillusionment starting in among some NDYers at what they had done the day before.

New Business: m/c that we push for a publicity director. m/c that we support T. C. Williamson for this position in committee.

Educational:

Discussion of ECEWV meeting Friday nite.
m/c that we push ECEWV to have more membership meetings.

Educational:

m/c that we send for major tapes immediately.
Discussion of feasibility of setting up some sort of Socialist Forum on Campus to provide us with forum for our meetings (tapes, etc.) m/c that we leave this suggestion to next meeting for decision.
Tolmin to write letter to NDY proposing joint NDY-Socialist Caucus meeting for Novack's off-campus appearance.

m/c that all meetings for next period be Wed. at 2 pm.

topic next week: Stalinism and Bolshevism.

YSF:

m/c that we hold discussion of high school sales question at next meeting.

New Business:

m/c that we order sub. to major publications of our movement in name of branch.
m/c that we order file of documents from Central office.

Educational:

Continuation of discussion on document "The Labor Party Question in Quebec."

adjournment: 4:45 pm

Minutes, Edmonton branch, Oct. 19/66.

meeting commenced 2:05 pm.

chairman: Tolmin
secy: Brock

minutes of previous meeting read and adopted.

correspondence: Scarlett read letter from Newsletter re next issue of C/v N.

Brock read relevant excerpts from letter from John R. to Jean R., Vancouver. m/c table questions raised to "Anti-War" item on agenda.

Letter from p. Kent read, re Calgary contacts.

Tolmin tabled copy of letter from Socialist Caucus to NDY re joint sponsorship of Novack's evening meeting off campus.

membership and contacts: discussion of K.L., including his conversation with Tolmin, in which he expressed interest in the League. m/c that Scarlett and Brock invite him to join.

Discussion on latest stage of evolution of W. and R. Coulter -- the latest is that they have suddenly resigned their memberships in NDY. General agreement that they are very unstable, but that we should keep contact with them.

Discussion on T.F., J.B., and C.O. m/c that Brock approach this latter about the ideas of the LSA, with a view to possible recruitment.

finances: Page reported still no reply to letter to Kent re division of financial responsibilities and dues and pledges.

discussion of security problem re signing officers for bank account. Agreement that we would use our real names in acct.

NDP-NDY: discussion of latest developments around the Novack visit.

Tolmin announced that Mardiros has probably sent his letter today.

Discussion of resolution on Vietnam drafted by Scarlett for presentation to NDY for convention. adopted. m/c that we discuss resolution drafted by Page on High School question at next meeting.

m/c that we also prepare a resolution on youth autonomy, and another on women's rights, for presentation to NDY -- to be discussed first at our next meeting.

discussion of plans for NDY prov. council meeting, which Page and Scarlett will be attending in Regina, Calgary this weekend. The draft NDY program (provincial) will be discussed there.

m/c Brock to proceed with draft of reply to recent attacks and comments on LSA which have appeared in NDY publications, to be presented distributed to Nov/66 NDY convention in Edmonton. Also, that we push NDY campus club to have meeting educational on LSA and Trotskyism and the NDY, to be given by Brock, according to the proposition to which Novakowski and others have already consented verbally.

Anti-War: discussion of recent meeting (yesterday) of campus committee. Tolmin has been elected to new leaflet committee. Next meeting is Fri, Oct. 21.

Discussion of projected conference plans for Nov. 12th, in accordance with letter from John R. m/c that with regard to the situation in west-

ern Canada, 1) there must be a clarification of the programmatic issues, with a consequent rigidification of the campus committees around the correct program, before ~~there~~ a regional conference is held;

2) that until this clarification has taken place, we believe it is impossible to set a date for said conference;

3) we believe it is desirable to have such a conference, but that, from our understanding of the situation in ~~both~~ Alberta at least, a November date for said conference is out of the question.

(It is understood, of course, that this branch decision is subordinate to decisions of the Central Committee.)

Educationals: ~~the~~ Tolmin announced that the tapes have been ordered.

Scarlett reported on lit. sold in recent period: 32 YSF's sold at Teach-In, half a dozen "What is LSA?" at NDY party, 110 Newsletters, plus some miscellaneous lit. (plus 10 YSF's and a sub. at JP High.)

New Business: m/c that we establish files at Tolmin's residence. Scarlett to set it up.

m/c that starting next meeting, educationals be held in middle of agenda. m/c that owing to lack of time, and just this once, the scheduled educ. by Tolmin on "Stalinism and Bolshevism" be ~~postponed~~ postponed till next meeting. m/c that we meet Wed. afternoon next week, but subsequently the regular time to be Thursday evenings.

meeting adjourned: 4:30 pm.

minutes, Edmonton branch, Nov. 3/66.

chairman: Craft
secty: Brock

meeting commenced: 8:30 p.m.

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Attendance: all present and accounted for

Minutes of previous meeting ~~was~~ read and adopted.

m/c that Q. of YSF fund drive be referred to Finances.

Correspondence: letter from John R. re possible tour visit to Edmonton by Betsey Barnes. m/c that we invite her to visit here, on Dec. 12th. letter from John R. re AYND report for Left Report, to be in tomorrow. m/c Brock to write report, to be submitted under ~~xxxxxx~~ Page's name. Brock reported that Ramparts magazine says Duncan can visit here either 19th or 20th of January, following scheduled visit to Victoria. ~~Tomlin~~ reported letter from Montreal comrade re Socialist Caucus literature. Brock to reply, explaining that the lit. is distributed from Toronto.

Membership and Contacts: discussion of NDY -UAVAC contacts D., H.S., C.O., R.C. Craft has arrived from East to live in Edmonton.

Finances: Page read letter from Kent re question of pledges, dues, and distribution of monies between youth and league. There was a general discussion on financial situation, and status of Edmonton branch. m/c that we propose to Toronto that we be considered a youth local as well as a League branch. m/c that we immediately send in the \$50. which we pledged for the YSF fund drive. m/c that our pledges be made to Youth for time being. m/c that dues be paid by all present comrades to both ISA and YS. m/c that everyone to approach treasurer during next week re pledges. Dues were collected for November.

NDP-NDY: Page reported on campus NDY exec. meeting tonite. Colwyn W. has been invited to address club on "How to Talk Politics" (see last week's minutes.) Suggested talk on ISA swept under rug. Prof. Pockington to speak at next meeting on "democracy". Discussion of proposed contents ~~xxxxxx~~ and line of report to Left Report, including general discussion on character of "centrists" of AYND. Novack to speak Tuesday nite to ~~xxx~~ meeting under joint sponsorship of AYND and Alta. Soc. Caucus. His Tuesday afternoon meeting to be sponsored by Young Socialist Forum campus club, since Mardiros withdrew invitation from Philosophy dept. before it was even sent.

Educational: Scarlett on "Socialism and War".

Anti-War: m/c that we approach Jean Bordeaux to urge him to consent to changing projected Nov. 11th "allegorical presentation" of UAVAC ~~xxx~~ from Veterans' parade downtown, to the military display at Convocation Hall on Campus. The high school leaflet is not done yet. The ECEWV is distributing the campus demo. leaflet, and are to name a speaker to represent them at the cenotaph ceremony ~~xxx~~ (Dick F.?)

Educationals: m/c that we postpone next week's educational, as we will be meeting and discussing with comrade Novack, ~~xxx~~ m/c that we postpone Brock's educational one additional week, and have Page the following week on our strategy for the NDY convention.

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New Business: re Novack meeting. leaflet for Tues. YSF meeting will be put out tomorrow. Tolmin to arrange radio interview. Coldwell to speak to NDY tomorrow on campus. Craft and Brock to sell YSF, Scarlett to sell Newsletters. m/c that in future meetings of branch, Scarlett to give anti-war report, Page to give NDP reports. Page raised question of NDY ordering 100 copies of Unspeakable War on Vietnam, which does not carry NDY line of immediate withdrawal. Urged that we press NDY to order bundle of War and Rev'n. Tolmin to write brief reply to Canadian Dimension's article on Alberta left by Nelly Petersen.

Calendar: read

Adjournment: 11:45 p.m.

minutes, Edmonton branch, Nov. 10/66

meeting commenced: 4:35 pm

chairman: Tolmin

secty: Brock

minutes of previous meeting read and adopted. It was reported that G. Novack meetings had been taped by CKUA, as well as a 2-hr. interview. ~~Correspondence~~ There were 100 people at the first meeting, and about 75 at the joint AYND-Soc. Caucus meeting.

Correspondence: ~~Talk~~ Tolmin has written reply to Nelly P. letter to Canadian Dimension, which will be sent under J.L.'s name. No other correspondence of note.

Membership and contacts: m/c that we institute position of contact chairman. m/c that Craft be contact chairman. Discussion of contacts, J.H., C.O., D., H.S., G.D. m/c that we look into possibility of getting house for League headquarters.

Educationals: m/c that topic three weeks' hence be K.L. on the ~~Rev~~ Proletarian Cultural Rev'n in China.

Tolmin reported on the new Inter-disciplinary Seminar, in effect the "School for Socialist Theory", which meets every Wed. nite in Rm 1010 of the Tory Bldg, U of A. He is conducting the first two classes. Since many of our contacts are there, general consensus that we should try to attend when possible; at least one comrade at every session.

NDP: Craft reported on visit to NDP office where he "encountered" J. Kurie, Notley's secty.

Report by Scarlett and Craft on NDY city club Newsletter's latest attack on ISA.

Craft to write ISA reply to Initiatives etc., for distribution to NDY convention. m/c that we submit this to Initiatives, with the suggestion that they publish it in time for convention; that if they do not publish it, we do so ourselves.

Finances: Page reported ~~on~~ progress of pledges situation.

Anti-War: Scarlett reported on progress of demo for SDP. Discussion. m/c that we push for a meeting of UAWAC soon after demo, for evaluation. m/c that at tonight's meeting, we push for appointment of marshals, m/c that K.L. draft resolution for presentation to the meeting, stressing the two objectives we want from the Nov 12/66 conference in Toronto, to be sent to U of T CEWV: continuation of communications, and call for national ~~movement~~ student movement. m/c Brock raise question of Cohen's red-baiting, etc. of VAC at the ECEWV executive meeting ~~at~~ tonight.

New Business: m/c that Tolmin write an article on the influence of the revolutionary socialists on Alberta politics over the past six months or so, for the Vanguard. m/c that Craft draw up a list of literature to be ordered for branch, to be presented to next branch meeting for endorsement.

Calendar: read.

Adjournment: 6:30 p.m.

minutes, Edmonton branch, Nov. 15/66.

chairman: Karl

Secty: Brock

meeting commenced: 8:25 pm

Minutes of previous meeting read and adopted as corrected.

Correspondence: Brock read Mary-Alice Styron's report on ~~Br~~ Liège demo and European youth situation. Letter has been sent to Chicago urging them to hurry delivery of tapes. Brock read letter from Crandall re YS fund drive report.

Membership and contacts: report by Craft on Ted, Karen, Peter A., ~~John~~ John B.,

Anti-war: report by Scarlett on Nov. 11-12 demo. About 40 attended the "memorial service" at the Cenotaph following official military parade and service. Close to 20 UAVAC supporters distributed the crowds on the sidewalks. On the Saturday, about 100 marched from Legislature to City Hall, but only about 70 actually went to City Hall for speeches, owing to mixup: cops refused to grant permit for march to Cenotaph, as advertised in our leaflets, and altho' the UAVAC meeting had decided to go to Cenotaph anyway, P. Connell of SUPA succeeded in raising the issue again at the march and for lack of opposition succeeded in diverting the march to the route specified by cops. There was some considerable demoralization among UAVAC supporters when it was learned that a considerable number of people had gone straight to Cenotaph without knowing of the sudden change in our plans. The speeches at City Hall were on the whole very good, particularly those of Ken Mills and Colwyn Williamson. Attendance at the SDP was hampered by severe and unprecedented attacks in the local newspaper, echoed by the Edmonton Committee to End the War which ~~is~~ dissociated itself with the demonstration. (Its chairman, Cohen, went around for a week or so before the SDP publicly red-baiting the UAVAC.)

m/c that Scarlett and Tolmin meet in next few days to work out list of anti-war activists with whom we can caucus and/or recruit to ECEWV between now and projected Dec. 2nd elections meeting of ECEWV. We will urge UAVAC activists to join Edmonton committee -- our perspective now ~~xxxxxxx~~ for the Dec. 2nd meeting is 1) censure the executive majority for their betrayal of SDP; 2) elect our own slate of activists for all positions on the exec.; 3) build the committee around the coming meeting in January of Donald Duncan.

Scarlett reported on rumour that Novakowski and Connell are maneuvering to dissolve UAVAC and establish "their own" committee excluding the "Trotskyists". General agreement among the comrades that altho they would like to do this, they will not be permitted to do so by their respective memberships (SUPA and NDY); at any rate, it is physically impossible to ~~xxxxxxx~~ exclude Trotskyists from Vietnam committees. General agreement that our anti-war contacts have been hardened up by this experience, although the red-baiting is taking a heavy toll in terms of ~~xxxxx~~ the failure to attract new people to activity.

m/c that at UAVAC meeting Monday nite, we urge elections to fill vacancies of NDYers who have quit executive. That we propose the committee hold an all-day Teach-In on the withdrawal vs. negotiations question in the very near future, and resolve the program question once and for all.

Educationals: future: line-up set for next 2 weeks.

today: Page on Perspectives for AYND convention.

NDP-NDY: discussion of Craft's document on LSA which is to be submitted to NDY for publication for distribution to convention delegates. Tolmin announced that the Socialist Caucus manifesto may be out next Friday, in time for the convention. (It was) m/c that (following from Page's suggestions in her educational), we build our intervention in the convention around the following points: 1) that socialist NDY-ers should join and participate in NDP constituency clubs; 2) that the AYND should pledge its support to single-issue Vietnam committees, and urge its members to join and work in such committees; 3) that as soon as we have seen the draft program that Novakowski et al. are presenting, we formulate resolutions-amendments with a view to filling in the major gaps, if any, of a socialist program (eg ~~maxxxx~~ with special attention to nationalization, workers' control, Vietnam, etc.); and 4) that we stress the right of ~~max~~ minority views to be heard and represented in the ~~max~~ ~~xxxx~~ AYND, right up to and including its highest elected bodies. m/c that we present emergency resolutions on 1) solidarity with the Alta. Fed. of Labor ~~xxx~~ convention's demand last month for the 30-hour week at 40-hours' pay; 2) emergency ~~xx~~ resolution on prices, with the demand for workers' committees to examine the books. There was a general discussion on the possibilities and perspectives for a left-wing caucus. General agreement that we should maintain a flexible, pragmatic approach, leaving the door open to the possible formation of a caucus in the course of the convention, depending on the mood of the left-wing youth, and the actions of the present executive. It was agreed that we should not initiate a caucus before the convention opened.

Craft reported on city NDY club meeting Monday nite. The club has between 50 and 60 members, about half high school, half young workers, but the high schoolers dominate the active roster. A resolution was apparently passed at a previous meeting to reject Dick Fidler's application for AYND membership, altho he has never applied for membership in this particular club. Craft volunteered for the phoning list, thereby getting membership list.

New Business: none. Because of airline machinists' strike, the books and pamphlets we ordered will not arrive on time. Crandall telephoned Scarlett and Craft before the meeting tonite to say that the Toronto YS comrades had "lost" Brock's article for Left Report. It was noted, however, that the Toronto "comrades" had already refused to print the article on the grounds, primarily, that they disagreed with the political analysis that we had made of the Alberta (local) NDY, and did not think it appropriate to attack the "centrists" with such reasoned vehemence. Brock reported he had already protested their action. General agreement among comrades that we must redouble our efforts to inform Toronto comrades of what is happening in Alberta.

adjournment: 10:50 pm.

minutes, Edmonton branch, Nov. 25/66.

chairman: Page
Secty: Brock

meeting commenced 8:15 pm

Minutes of previous meeting read and adopted. Brock to write again to Chicago re the ~~xxxx~~ tapes we ordered two months ago, and have not yet received.

Correspondence: Brock read letter from Kent re brutal assault on comrade Ernie by SLL goons. m/c that Brock write Ernie on behalf of branch expressing our solidarity with him, and send a vigorous protest to the SLL. Other comrades intend to protest this assault personally. Letter read from Kent re protest against treatment of Hugo Blanco. m/c that we write centre for copy of petition for circulation here, and that it be circulated on campus among prominent academics. Further action will be considered once we have received details of his treatment via World Outlook of Nov. 18th. Brock read excerpts from letter to him from Crandall re Left Report and strategy ~~with~~ with regard to Lenihanites and Alta. Centrists in AYND. Crandall's report re Betsey Barnes' projected visit was referred to New Business.

Attendance: all present and accounted for.

Membership and Contacts: Craft reported on comportsment of contacts during AYND convention. There was a general discussion in particular of John B., Gordon D., Dennis L., Hans S., Peter A., and Jon B. With the exception of the last two named above, it was felt that most of them developed considerably, and are closer to us as a result of the convention experience. (John B. should be excepted from the latter characterization.) A number of new contacts were made, including Jim B., and Bruce McL. We sold about \$10 worth of literature, altho not many subs to YSF since most contacts have them already.

There was a discussion re tenants for the new House we have rented near the Campus. General agreement that we approach Ted and Karen, and possibly Dennis with a view to inviting them to live in it together with three of our comrades. Occupancy takes effect Dec. 1/66.

Literature report: m/c that we forward Craft's list of suggested lit. orders, with invitation to comrade Kent to add any books and pamphlets he considers appropriate. That we ask for credit of up to \$100. for books over and above the pamphlets we are ordering. m/c further that all literature money to be handled by the Treasurer, Page. m/c that in view of the fact that we have only 10 copies left of the 50 we received of current YSF, that we increase our bundle order of YSF to 100 copies per issue. Craft reported he had sold 17 copies of YSF and a few copies of War and Rev'n on campus today in one hour.

Finances: report by Pagex on current financial situation. report adopted.

Anti-War: Brock read letter from Current in Ottawa re Canada/Vietnam Newsletter. Scarlett to handle future correspondence in this connection. Scarlett reported on UAVAC meeting last nite. A "Bitch-In" is to be held on December 9th, all day, to feature speakers, films, poetry and folk-songs, etc. Main theme will be to resolve once and for all the question of the program of the local anti-war movement. Scarlett reported on success of campus UAVAC committee's booths. A motion that

we should aim toward calling a UAVAC meeting to elect a large working executive composed of all the most active and directly committed members of UAVAC, with membership meetings to be generally confined in future to public affairs with speakers, films or other popular actions, was tabled for further discussion and decision next week. Comrades drew attention to the fact that altho only a hard core of 15 to 20 activists actually attend membership meetings at present, even when they are well publicized, the UAVAC has a very large periphery of supporters and formal members who are prepared to participate in public actions.

Brock reported on current developments in the left-wing activists caucus of the Edmonton city CEWV in preparation for coming membership meeting and election of officers. A tentative slate has been drawn up.

NDP-NDY: report by Page on current plans of campus club of NDY. They are projecting a 4 or 5-day seminar in late December to continue the discussion originally scheduled for the AYND convention on "What and Why the NDY". Proposal by ~~Sam~~ Colleen L. that they launch a documented discussion over the next few months was not opposed, but not voted on. Craft gave an informal analysis of the AYND convention: with ~~an~~ particular attention to our approach to the centrists, and our behaviour. It was felt that ~~was~~ we did not speak in a sufficiently broad, educational manner, that we were not well enough prepared to intervene in the programmatic discussion, altho' almost all the major resolutions were moved by our comrades. Craft felt that our aim in the next period is not to build a left caucus, but to work toward ad hoc collaboration with the activists, injecting the major issues, and giving critical support to the "centrists" current represented by Novakowski, Burke et al. He also stressed the importance of mobilizing the Socialist Caucus, to make it more relevant to NDYers. Discussion: Tolmin, Karl, Brock, Scarlett, Page, Craft. Craft is to write report on convention for Left Report. General agreement that Socialist Caucus to hold pre-Xmas meeting to launch the new Manifesto which has just come off the presses. (30 copies of the Manifesto were sold at CP banquet last Saturday by Page and Brock; 45 sold at NDY convention; 50 have been sent to Toronto; and 36 were sold by Resalind B. on U of A campus yesterday.) It is expected that we will have to go into a second printing very soon, in addition to the 400 already published.) Craft and Scarlett reported on NDP meeting in Jasper Place Wed. nite. It was a pre-election meeting, Reimer spoke. About 2 1/3 audience over 50 years old; 1/3 middle-aged; and the rest young people. About 15 copies of S.C. Manifesto sold, despite considerable harassment by Reimer.

Educationals: In view of lateness of hour, m/c that Brock's be given next week. m/c that future topics be: 1) Tolmin on "An Introduction to the Logic of Marxism"; and Craft on "The history of the development of our orientation to the CCF and the NDP". Karl scheduled to speak two weeks hence on "The proletarian Cultural Rev'n in China."

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New Business: That we cannot contribute more than \$10 to Betsy Barnes' visit, and that secty communicate this to Crandall. Scarlett reported that Barry Chivers, educational director of NDY campus club, wants to change topic of ~~Enkynx~~ Tolmin's talk on "How to Talk Politics" to one on "Parliamentary Procedure". Tolmin suggested that he will make the topic: "Parliamentary Procedure: from Guy Fawkes to Trotsky".

Calendar: read. Adjournment: 11.30 am

minutes, Edmonton branch, Dec. 2/66.

chairman: Page
secty: Brock

meeting commenced 4:30 pm

Minutes of last meeting read and adopted with following corrections:
1) The future educational attributed to Craft was not adopted.
2) Craft is writing his article on the AYND convention for YSF, and not LR, as reported.

~~Ex~~ Business arising from minutes: Since Central office has not seen fit to reply to our request for petition, etc. on Hugo Blanco case, m/c that we draw up and distribute a telegram with as many names as possible to be sent to Peru; also that we circulate a short brief outlining who Blanco is, the facts of the case etc.

Correspondence: Letter read from Lew Jones re Betsey's visit. In view of fact that finances "should not be a major concern", it was agreed that we will visit Edmonton, on either Dec. 12 or 13 -- to be confirmed. Other related questions referred to New Business.

Membership and Contacts: Karl raised question of possible conflict with NDY in inviting contacts to our house and away from NDY's hq.

Literature: Craft reported on Lit. ordered, and request for further credit of \$75. from Toronto.

Socialist Caucus: Tolmin reported. re projected meeting: m/c executive to plan agenda with following items: AYND convention report; provincial election strategy; introduction of the manifesto. Date: Fri., Dec. 16th., at Corona Hotel. m/c further, that Craft draw up a list of specific suggestions for SC meeting re proposed AYND strategy to be presented to next branch meeting.

NDP-NDY: Craft read draft notes for YSF article on AYND convention. Discussion. Scarlett reported on NDY campus club meeting last nite: Wharton ~~xx~~ elected to Provincial Council; Left Report has asked Novakowski to write article on AYND convention. Brock noted Crandall's request to raise the Severin BC expulsion issue around AYND. The NDP Strathcona constituency association is holding a public meeting Wednesday nite.

Educationals: Tolmin noted the line-up. Scarlett on Free -Will and Marxism, to be substituted for Craft on CCF-NDP orientation, to be given 3wks today.

Educational: Brock on Uneven and Combined Development.

Anti-War: (minutes from here on by Kraft, in Brock's absence.) m/c in consideration of the question tabled in last meeting, that we push for the ~~xxxx~~ formation in UAVAC of a working committee executive, of 3 to 5 members, with a system of sub-committees (Education, Publicity, Program, ~~kit~~ etc.). m/c that at next branch meeting, we draw up a slate for the UAVAC meeting, for the last week of term; each working committee to be composed of 1 coordinator and 2 or more sub-coordinators. Duncan meeting unable to be clarified in Brock's absence. Scarlett to poll the Students' Council people and others about it. A special

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meeting to discuss ECEWV slate and strategy, projected for Sunday at 11 am.

New Business: ~~xxxx~~Craft to be organizer of meeting. Sponsor: NDY is possible, if not, YSF.

Next meeting to be Friday the 9th at 5 pm.

adjournment: 8:30 pm.

minutes, Edmonton branch, Dec. 10/66.

chairman: Page.

secty: Brock

meeting commenced: 10:10 am

Minutes of previous meeting~~read~~ read/adopted

Correspondence: Scarlett read excerpts from comrade Carol of Toronto on the Nov. 12 Vietnam action conference there. Brock read circular from Crandall on Ross Dowson tour for late January; excerpts from a letter from Crandall re Toronto election results; a letter from ~~John~~ Crandall re Betsey Barnes' tour; letter sent to SLL re Tate assault; and excerpt from Crandall letter of Nov. 24 re Severin case in B.C.

Membership and Contacts: m/c we have political discussion ~~re~~ with Dennis L. in view of ascertaining his recruitability. Discussion re advisability of contacts being invited to meeting prior to invitation to join. Scarlett raised questions of criticisms directed at us and individual comrades re our "tactics" by such types as Ken Mills, Joh. B., and Ted F. Discussion of how to deal with such criticism. It was announced that Chris S. of Calgary is moving to Edmonton.

Anti-War: discussion of the meeting Thursday of ECEWV and the composition of the new ~~re executive~~ executive. m/c that we not oppose Kemp if he is nominated for executive, but not support him - try rather to strengthen Eva T. and others in their opposition to Kemp if they don't oppose him. m/c that we send reports to Vanguard, C/VN on the recent developments in the committee. m/c that we raise the following questions at the next meeting of the ECEWV executive, thursday-nite: B Russell Tribunal; press release on Duncan meeting; UAVAC to be invited to co-sponsor the meeting; the committee name a correspondent to the C/VN. Scarlett reported on UAVAC. Successful "Bitch-In" held yesterday, with over 200 students in attendance at peak period over the lunch-hour. m/c that at next meeting ~~of~~(business) of UAVAC we present a constitution to fit Students' Union requirements; elect an executive (discussion of names proposed); elect a correspondent to C/VN; and arrange co-sponsorship of Duncan meeting. Re Carol's letter: m/c that we write Toronto communicating our view that a Western conference is not necessary, nor even desirable, but that we favor pushing for a national demonstration and conference at Ottawa around the end of February, beginning of March.

Educationals: Discussion of relevance of educational topics arranged for future meetings, and that we have already had in the past. m/c that we insert in the already -arranged schedule, an educational on building the vanguard part, and relation of that task to the NDP, run-of-the-mill socialists, etc. Speaker: Craft.

NDP-NDY: Craft reported on NDY provincial council meeting, and Strathcona meeting of NDP. m/c that his educational be given next week in order to prepare us for the weekend seminar the NDY is ~~is~~ planning on "What and Why the NDY?" m/c that instead of preparing a position paper on NDP-LSA relations as requested, we prepare a reading list on Trotskyism as a political tendency.

New Business: final arrangements for Betsey Barnes' meeting: Page to meet her at airport. Dist'n of leaflet. Press release. CKHA: Tolmin to phone. Discussion on the general subject of Division of Labor in the branch. m/c that we purchase chairs for hq.

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Next branch meeting: Friday at 7:30 pm.

Calendar: read.

Educational presentation: Karl on "The Proletarian Cultural Rev'n in China".

adjournment: ~~at~~ 1:50 pm.

minutes, Edmonton branch, Dec. 16/66.

chairman: Karl
secty: Brock

meeting commenced: 7:45 pm Attendance: Page excused

Minutes of previous meeting read/adopted.

Correspondence: Letter from I. Lynne of YSF edit. bd. re neety for comrades to write and inspire letters to the editor. m/c file. Letter from Crandall re Edmonton address for YSF: m/c that it be the house address... Rm. 1. Letter from Jr Current, Ottawa, re Educational Weekend of Ottawa Local. m/c file. Letter from S. Weiss of Chicago re delay in receipt of tapes: the tapes have now arrived. Brock read excerpts from NEC minutes on "Anti-war report", on SDP protest, and outline of tasks for coming period. Letter from Crandall re proposed regional demo and conf. in Edmonton for student anti-war forces. m/c refer to Anti-War on agenda. Letter from Vanguard supporter in Ryley, containing questions re Sino-Soviet dispute, etc. m/c Tolmin to write reply. Letter from Crandall re Severin case referred to NDY-NDP on agenda. Re recent correspondence on need to get sponsors for B. Russell Tribunal: m/c that we approach Reimer, W.C. Mitchell, Turcott, and several profess

Membership and Contacts: m/c that we approach Dennis L. to consider LSA membership, at ~~the~~ earliest possible convenience. If he wishes, he may attend a meeting of the branch prior to decision. Discussion of names on list circulated at Barnes meeting.

Finance: Membership dues due.

NDP-NDY: Socialist Caucus: to hold meeting on 20th January. Agreed that Socialist Caucus not to be sponsor in its own name of Duncan meeting in January, altho we defend its right to sell copies of Manifesto there. Report on Campus club NDY meeting Wed. nite by Scarlett. re Lyle Severin case: m/c that we write NEC (CC to Lyle) exposing the difficulties facing us in circulating his appeal here, in view of his denial of LSA membership, but reaffirming our intention to do our best for his defence. m/c further that we circulate only the white petition, and not the green fact sheet which is rather compromising to us here. and if questioned about statement on green sheet which have apparently already been circulated to some LR subscribers in Alta., reply simply ~~that~~ to the effect that Lyle says he's not a member of the LSA, and let the matter rest there. The NDY seminar on "What and Why the NDY" originally scheduled for this weekend in Edmonton, will probably not take place for lack of publicity and interest.

Educational: Craft on "The Vanguard Party".

Anti-War: Scarlett reported on exec. meeting of UAVAC: agreed to co-sponsor Duncan meeting; to hold elections in January; discussion re UAVAC debt. Tolmin and Craft reported on ECEWV executive meeting: Craft is chairman of program committee; Tolmin chairman of Newsletter committee; Brock has been coopted as a non-voting member to act as chairman of Liaison committee. Program for next membership meeting, to be held in January: "The way to ~~the~~ end the War in Vietnam: Withdrawal or Negotiations?". Duncan meeting 16th of January is to be the major activity for the next period.

Anti-War (cont'd): Re proposed Edmonton conference of anti-war movement. Agreed that we write NEC comrades reminding them of the great distances between Western cities (eg. 980 miles to Winnipeg, 700 miles to Vancouver, 600 miles to Regina, 200 miles to Calgary), and our belief that a regional conference is geographically not feasible. Also that we question the necessity for said conference, politically. General agreement with proposal that there be a national(federal,) conference sometime next spring or early summer, either in mid-May (right after University exams) or around July 1st (around a demo, NDP-NDY-YS conventions).

Educationals line-up: That following present line-up, there be an educational on the woman question, to be conducted by Tolmin and Scarlett jointly. This educational to be held ~~xxxxxxx~~ at a meeting following U of A January exams.

New Business: m/c that our regular meeting next week (Thursday) be stripped of all non-essential items in order that we may audit the newly-arrived SWP tapes prior to presenting them in public.

~~xxx~~ Calendar: read

adjournment: 11: 10 pm,

minutes, Edmonton branch, Dec. 29/66.

chairman: Karl
secty: Brock

meeting commenced: 12 noon.

Page excused. U.F. and H.F. admitted as

minutes of previous meeting (Dec. 16) read and adopted ^{with following} corrections: it was proposed that anti-war conference be early March, and not in May as stated; also, re ECEWV exec. meeting: John L. chairman of program committee; Colwyn W. chairman of Newsletter committee; and Dick F. coopted as a non-voting member as chairman of Liaison committee. Business arising from minutes: the Severin petition has not been circulated as result of cancellation of defence campaign.

Correspondence: none. (see New Business, however)

Membership and contacts: Craft reported on Malu B. He has been reading a lot of our literature, but it is difficult to know how significant this is as he is not active in local politics. Discussion of Hans S., and Gordon D. Dennis L. is out of town for the holidays.

NDP-NDY: seminar proposed for Dec. 17th weekend did not come off. m/c that we push for "What and Why the NDY?" to be the theme of the NDY Banff conference in May. Scarlett is on organizing committee. Craft reported on NDY city club situation: A. Green has resigned from club following her hasty elopement with a cynical folksinger, who was disgusted with flop of club's hootenanny. General demoralization among club membership. Similar ~~with~~ situation in Campus club, reported Scarlett: it can't even get a quorum for meetings of membership. There was a general discussion on the situation of the NDY province by province, and the suggestion that Alberta seemed to be experiencing the fate of the NDY elsewhere. Agreed that we would limit our participation in Model Parliament campaign on campus to critical support for NDY, and selling our literature around its meetings.

Anti-War: The preparations for Duncan meeting are going ahead very well. Next meeting of ECEWV executive Jan 5th: we will propose Eva T. for C/VN correspondent; someone (Frucht, Novakowski, or Fidler) will speak at Duncan meeting on B. Russell Tribunal; Craft reported on prospects for press conf., open-line radio show and TV appearances for Duncan. Scarlett is going to Calgary tonite, and will contact potential Tribunal sponsors while there. We will urge Ken N. to approach Reimer in same connection. Tolmin to approach Betz and W.O. Mitchell (the latter via Parker-Jarvis).

Educationals report: Tolmin reported. m/c that we start the YSF classes ~~with Fidel Castro~~ recording of la Segundo Declaracion de La Habana, to be conducted in two sessionsx of 1 1/2 hour each. Brock to write for 25 copies of the English translations. Tentative date of first meeting: Jan 18th.

New Business: U.F. reported on the Saskatoon situation. re Dowson tour in January. m/c we write Toronto proposing they produce a general leaflet which can be used by the various branches. Next meeting: Fri. evening Jan. 6

adjournment: 2 pm.

Chairman: Connolly Secretary: Bannon Present: all PC members.

Minutes of May 20, 1967 adopted as read. Agenda adopted.

Trailblazers Tour: Report by Kent. Discussion of personnel. Motion: to not accept the application of Jansson, in view of our inability to replace him in his area of work and in view of his expressed intentions in the youth - carried. Motion: to accept the applications of Cameron, Ryder, M., E. J-P and Zette - carried.

Minutes: Discussion of section of letter from Miller to Bannon, dealing with objection by Miller to May 20 minutes, under the section dealing with the CC plenum, specifically the reference to "his (Miller's) previously expressed differences with the position of the PC on the paper." Motion: the PC does not understand how this formulation can be interpreted as other than a factual reference and wishes to assure comrade Miller that it is in no way factionally motivated or prejudicial - carried.

Correspondence: Discussion of May 24, 1967 letter from Miller to the PC on our decision not to publish the extensive material submitted by this comrade as the projected "Who Owns Canada" pamphlet. The letter opened by saying: "I was again surprised by the speed with which the Political Committee can decide that a question must be formally voted on. I in general do not agree with the positions taken in regard to my pamphlet, but am faced now with the fact that I have already been outvoted. Administrative decree replaces political discussion! Why did we suddenly have to change the policy you and I informally agreed upon here, that a couple of comrades in Toronto be struck off to go over the work and to, I thought, discuss the question with me? Before the governing organization of the movement takes a formal position, surely a period of discussion in which people can arrive at a common position should be allowed. Discussion should mean more than the simple statement of position in one letter." The letter goes on to motivate the concept that this projected pamphlet should deal with the nationalist debate, arguing that a "polemic against nationalism need not limit it to only those who are interested in nationalism" and that "Rather than limiting its appeal, the polemic extends into much broader circles than our material has ever reached, and raises argumentation with points brought up in previous correspondence. The letter concludes: "However, I strongly urge the PC to reconsider its position on the question of the pamphlet as a whole. We do not have a seriously worked out position on the Canadian economy. We have no developed Marxist economists in the movement. I am convinced -- based I would confidently add on greater knowledge of the Canadian economy than that contained by all members of the PC combined -- that the position is correct. Even if it is theoretically wrong, nothing is lost by its publication. It can only add to our understanding, to that of the whole movement, and larger sections of the left. At worst it will only begin a serious discussion on the nature of capitalism in Canada." Motion: It should be noted that 1) the PC, as the leading body of the movement between meetings of the CC, has the responsibility to make operational decisions on behalf of the movement; 2) that its decision not to publish the material in its submitted form was an operational decision, i.e. this matter can be reopened by the forthcoming CC plenum or by the PC itself, should CC members so wish; 3) the decision of the PC has not closed off further discussion; in point of fact correspondence on this subject has taken place since the decision was made and 4) that in fact, two comrades, namely Brock and Crandall did go over the material and presented their evaluation of it to the PC for its consideration - carried.

Plenum: Discussion of organizational report. Motion: that Kent prepare and present the organizational report to the CC plenum - carried. Discussion of agenda. Motion: to propose the following agenda: 1. Organizational Report, reporter Kent ($\frac{1}{2}$ day), 2. Quebec discussion, reporter Brock ($\frac{1}{2}$ day), 3. NDP Report, reporter Bannon ($\frac{1}{4}$ day), 4. Anti-War Report, proposed reporter Brown ($\frac{1}{4}$ day), and 5. Discussion on nature and tasks of the press, no assigned reporter at present ($\frac{1}{4}$ day) - carried. (Times suggested are proportional, not exact.) Bannon reported request by Miller that time be scheduled for

Plenum (cont'd.): discussion of our work with other tendencies. Discussion. Motion: the PC recommends to the plenum that it not schedule separate time for this question. We do not consider this a controversial question in the movement generally or one that is pivotal at this particular time and feel that with the little time available for the plenum, it would not be justified to allocate time specifically for this topic. It could be encompassed to some degree in the press discussion. Final disposition of the agenda is of course the property of the plenum itself - carried. Discussion re time of plenum. It was agreed that we wished to keep the overlap between the plenum and the youth convention to a bare minimum. Motion: that plenum convene Thursday, July 6 at 8:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m., reconvene July 7 at 9:00 a.m. with evening session starting 8:00 p.m., final session June 8 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 a.m. - carried. Motion: to hold plenum at youth headquarters - carried. Motion: to invite southern friends to send fraternal delegate - carried.

Hugo Blanco Defence: Report by Kent. Discussion.

Personnel: Discussion of allocation of comrade Rene. Motion: to table - carried.

Anti-war: Report by Crandall of discussion on draft-dodger question in youth and desire of NEC to have the opinion of the PC. General agreement that position as stated by Crandall is correct.

Adjourned: 12:35 p.m.

Plenum Minutes, Central Committee, Canadian Section, July 6 - 11, 1967.

First Session - Thursday, July 6. convened: 8:30 p.m.

Chairman: Connolly Secretary: Adair Present: Pacquette, Miller, Frazer, Brock, Crandall, N., Bannon, Adair, Mack, Connolly.

Motion: to adopt the following agenda for the plenum as a whole: 1) July 6 - 8 to 10:30 p.m. - Anti-War Report; 2) July 7 - 8 to 10:30 p.m. - NDP Report; 3) July 8 - 8:30 to 12:30 a.m. - Quebec Discussion; 4) July 11 - 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. - Press and Organizational Reports. - carried.

Motion: to organize fraction-CC meetings as follows: 1) July 9 - 9 p.m. - Anti-War; 2) July 10 - 8 p.m. - NDP. - carried.

Recommendation by Pacquette concerning non-CC members (listed in motion below) to be invited to Quebec discussion. Motion: that W., E. and J. be invited to attend - carried. Motion: that Irons be invited to attend the sessions on Quebec and Press - carried. Motion: that Irons be invited to attend session on NDP - carried. Motion: That Crandall's report on observers for Quebec discussion be adopted - carried. (Substance of report: 1. LSO executive members had been invited; 2. a representative of the LJS had been invited and 3. Pacquette had been requested to invite other leading LSO comrades, at his discretion.)

Anti-War Report. Presentation by Crandall. Discussion. Motion: to continue this discussion on Saturday evening (July 8) - carried. Motion: that Miller and Crandall be struck off to prepare and present a thesis to the Saturday evening session - carried.

Adjourned: 11 p.m.

Second Session - Friday, July 7. convened: 8 p.m.

Chairman: Adair Secretary: Brock Present: attendance same as for first session except for addition of those listed in below motion.
S/A: Crandall

Motion: to seat Flemming and fraternal observer - carried. Motion: that agenda be: 1) Presentation of NDP document (Bannon); 2. Assessment of NDP convention (N.); 3) Discussion of Socialist Caucus and 4) Reports on NDP work in various areas. - carried.

Presentation of NDP document by Bannon. Report on NDP convention by N. Motion: to seat Irons - carried. Continuation of discussion as per agenda. Motion: to adopt NDP document - carried. Motion: that a committee be named to write a short document outlining the discussion re Socialist Caucus, and that this committee draw up an agenda for the fraction meeting - carried. Motion: that the committee be composed of Connolly, N. and Pacquette - carried. Motion: re Quebec discussion: that we base the Saturday morning discussion on the draft theses, which are being presented for adoption (theses to include the PC 1966 document on LSA-LSO relations). Also to be discussed: organizational questions in Quebec work, and the question of anti-war work in Quebec. Also discussion of NDP and labor party question in Quebec - carried.

Adjourned: 11 p.m.

Third Session - Saturday, July 8. convened: 9 a.m.

Chairman: Mack Secretary: Bannon
S/A: Flemming

Present: Bannon, Crandall, Connolly,
Mack, Pacquette, Irons, M., W., Bour-
his, Adair, E., A., Miller, N., Flem-
ming, Brock, fraternal observer.

Theses on Quebec. Presentation by Brock. Discussion. Summary by Brock.
Motion: to adopt the general line of the Theses - carried. (vote: 1 op-
posed; all others for; no abstentions.) Motion: to appoint an editing
commission of Brock and Pacquette - carried. Motion: that the CC decide
the question of publication - carried. Motion: to publish the Theses and
the document "Quebec and the National Question" for circulation in the
movement - carried. Discussion concerning slogans in Quebec anti-war work,
Motion: to refer this question to the Political Committee - carried.
(In relation to the above motion, it was understood that this would be
taken up at a meeting of the PC arranged so that Montreal CC members could
attend.)

Adjourned: 12:30

Fourth Session - Saturday, July 8. convened: 8 p.m.

Chairman: Connolly Secretary: Adair

Present: Miller, Frazer, N., Con-
nolly, Crandall, Mack, Flemming,
Bourhis, Adair, Pacquette, fratern-
al observer.

Presentation of theses on anti-war work.
General Discussion.

Point 1 - Motion: concept be incorporated that Section can be built thru
work in the anti-war movement - carried. Point 2 - Motion: to insert
clause re importance of Canadian mobilizations as main vehicle for build-
ing movement - carried. Points 3 & 4 - Motion: that the Political Com-
mittee discuss with comrades connected with CVN the question of a pamph-
let on Canadian complicity - carried. Point 5 - Motion: to rewrite along
lines of the discussion - carried. Point 9 - Motion: to add NDP after
"to involve trade union movement" - carried. Motion: to delete NDP after
"important breaks to the" - carried. Point 10 - Motion: to add to this
point along lines of discussion - carried.

Discussion on Vietnam Protest. Motion: to refer this question to the ses-
sion dealing with the Press Report - carried.

Adjourned: 10:30 p.m.

Fifth Session - Tuesday, July 11. convened: 9:30 a.m.

Chairman: Connolly Secretary: Bannon Present: Attendance same as 3rd session, except for replacement of Flemming by Pedersen as youth NEC representative, two fraternal observers, and Kent.
S/A: Crandall

Motion: to allocate two hours for the Press Report and four hours for the Organizational Report - carried. Procedural: Remarks by Kent concerning importance of plenum and expressing regret that questions concerning attendance at and organization of plenum had not been previously clarified. Motion: that Irons be seated for remainder of plenum and plenum express regret this not done previously - carried.

Greetings and remarks to plenum from comrades Briar and Lloyd read. Motion; to file - carried.

Press Report. Presentation by Kent. Report on La Lutte by Irons. Discussion on La Lutte. Motion: that the PC review the composition of the editorial board of La Lutte along the lines of discussion - carried. Discussion of Vanguard. Motion: to adopt the Press Report - carried.

Adjourned: 11:45 a.m.

Reconvened: 1:45 p.m.

Organizational Report. Presentation by Kent. Discussion. Motion: that Miller and Frazer move into the center; Miller in September '67; Frazer in April '68, depending on situation in Vancouver youth - carried. (vote on motion: opposed 1 (Miller); abstentions: 2 (N., Frazer); all other votes for.)

Discussion re Montreal branch. Motion: that we move toward constitution of separate language branches. Motion: to refer this question to the Political Committee - carried.

Motion: that the Theses on Quebec be translated into French as soon as possible - carried. Motion: that the question of a representative of the youth movement to the PC be referred to the PC - carried. Motion: to thank the fraternal observers for their participation in the plenum - carried.

Plenum adjourned: 5:40 p.m.

MINUTES OF CANADIAN SECTION CONVENTION, held June 29 & 30, July 1, 1968 in Montreal.

Morning Session, Saturday, June 29.

Secretary: Forrest

- m/c (as per recommendation of outgoing CC) that the convention praesidium be composed of Courtney, Young, Fiddell, Miller and Flemming.
- m/c that Courtney be chairman of this session.
- m/c that Forrest and Earle be convention secretaries.
- m/c to adopt proposed agenda.

Procedural Motions:

- m/c that delegate contributions be limited to ten minutes each, and that contributions on procedural motions be limited to three minutes each.
- m/c that speakers' lists operate on a round system.
- m/c that chairman call for consultative vote of fraternal delegates upon request.
- m/c that reports on documents be 30 minutes each with ten minute summaries, except for the discussions on Quebec and U.S.-Canada relations, the times for these to be determined prior to the reports.

Convention Commissions:

Credentials Committee composed of: N. Williams. YD, Bannon, Roxanne, Moore.

Arrangements Committee composed of: WB, PS, Terry and IB.

m/c that the Nominating Commission be composed of three delegates from Toronto, three from Vancouver, two from Montreal, and one each from Ottawa and Edmonton.

Documents:

Documents before the convention include: 1) all documents from the outgoing PC and Miller's document on "Nationalism and Anti-Imperialism", which are line documents, 2) discussion documents, 3) documents containing amendments to either the constitution or to line documents. Recommendation that discussion should center on line questions. Praesidium will present specific recommendations on how all amendments and line documents other than those of the outgoing PC should be dealt with. All amendments to be submitted in writing. m/c to adopt general report of praesidium.

Greetings:

Greetings from Lloyd on behalf of the Vancouver branch were read.

George Novack presented fraternal greetings from the Socialist Workers Party.

Pedersen presented fraternal greetings from the Young Socialists/Ligue des Jeunes Socialistes.

Procedural: m/c that all members of the LSO have voice and consultative vote in the Quebec discussion.

Credentials Committee Preliminary Report:

Presented by YD. Presently registered: 37 delegates, 7 alternates, 13 consultative. 111 comrades present.

Political Resolution:

Presentation by Connolly.

m/c to adjourn for lunch.

Afternoon Session, Saturday, June 29.

Chairman: Young Secretary: Earle

Credentials Committee. Second Report:

Presented by Roxanne. m/c to adopt.

Nominating Commission: Report of composition.

Political Resolution: (cont'd.)

1. Presentation by Miller of his position and amendments.
2. General Discussion.
3. Summary by Connolly.

Ruling by praesidium: Amendments proposed will be voted on first, with amendments 1, 2 and 3 of Miller's document taken as a whole and amendments "A" and "B" taken separately. This will be followed by the vote on the Political Resolution as such.

Vote on Political Resolution and Amendments:

1. On amendments 1, 2 and 3:

Delegates:

Consultative:

For: 10

1

Opposed: 24

12

Abstentions: 3

0

DEFEATED.

2. On amendment "A":

For: 12

2

Opposed: 24

11

Abstentions: 2

0

DEFEATED

3. On amendment "B":

For: 11

1

Opposed: 23

10

Abstentions: 4

2

DEFEATED.

Afternoon Session, Saturday, June 29. (cont'd.)

4. On Political Resolution as a whole:

Delegates:

Consultative:

For:	37	13
Opposed:	0	0
Abstentions:	0	0

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

m/c by praesidium that we have a five-minute break.

Reconvened at 4:40 p.m.

Proposals by Praesidium:

1. to continue to the end of today on the present agenda.
2. that the following procedure be followed in the discussion on U.S.-Canada relations:
 - a) presentation of U.S.-Canada relations document by Riddell - 20 min.
 - b) presentation of Nationalism and Anti-Imperialism by Miller - 20 min.
 - c) general discussion, to be concluded by:
 - d) 10 min. summary by Miller,
 - e) 10 min. summary by Riddell,
 - f) vote on i) U.S.-Canada relations document, ii) on Nationalism and Anti-Imperialism.

m/c to adopt the proposals.

Canada-U.S. Relations:

1. Presentation of U.S.-Canada relations document by Riddell. Five-minute extension.
2. Presentation of Nationalism and Anti-Imperialism by Miller.
3. General discussion.

Procedural:

Proposals by praesidium: 1. to finish this discussion in the three hours allotted, 2. that comrades who have nothing to add to the discussion should pass, 3. that it may be necessary to reduce time of contributions to five minutes, 4. that we stop at the proposed time and continue the discussion tomorrow. m/c to adopt.

Announcements:

1. re new document.
2. re cleaning hall.
3. re Nominating Commission meeting at adjournment.

m/c to adjourn.

Morning Session, Sunday, June 30

convened: 9:35 a.m.

Secretary: Earle

m/c that Brennan be session chairman.

Procedural:

Recommendations by praesidium: 1. that time of contributions for remaining speakers on Canada-U.S. relations discussion be five minutes, 2. that from 9:30 to 10:30 we conclude Canada-U.S. relations discussion and vote, from 10:30 to 11:15 we have the YS/LJS Report and discussion, and that from 11:15 to 12:30 we begin the Quebec discussion (total time of 3½ hr.), 3. that ## give the summary in place of Riddell who has laryngitis, and 4. that chairmen for panels be: Press - Pratt, Women - S.C. NDP - N. Williams. m/c to adopt. (## Dowson)

Canada-U.S. relations

Continuation of general discussion.

Vote on Documents:

1. On Canada-U.S. relations document:

Delegates

Consultative

For: 26 10

Opposed: 9 1

Abstentions: 2 0

CARRIED.

2. On Nationalism and Anti-Imperialism:

For: 9 1

Opposed: 25 11

Abstentions: 2 0

DEFEATED.

Young Socialists/Ligue des Jeunes Socialistes:

Report by Ruby. Questions and discussion.

m/c by praesidium to close speakers list with addition of B.S. (to report on Simon Frazer U.) and that time be allotted so that all speakers get three minutes.

Motion: to accept report; - carried unan.

Procedural: Proposals from praesidium re Quebec discussion: 1. all members of the LSO have speaking rights and consultative vote in this discussion, and 2. Young will give report of 40 min. on the document. m/c to adopt.

Quebec Discussion:

Presentation of document by Young.

m/c by praesidium to break for lunch and reconvene 15 minutes early.

Morning Session, Sunday, June 30 (cont'd.)

Announcements:

re Nominating Commission
re cleaning hall
re Arrangements Committee.

m/c to adjourn for lunch. (12:20 p.m.)

Afternoon Session, Sunday, June 30

m/c that Moore be session chairman. Secretary: Forrest

m/c to extend Quebec discussion to 4:30 p.m.

m/c that two Quebecois comrades from the LJS be give consultative rights. (1 opposed)

Quebec Discussion:

General discussion. Proposed amendment: to replace the term "separatiste" in the document by "independantiste" in the resolution. Proposed sub-amendment: to alter the terminology in the document to remove confusion around the term "separatiste". Amendment withdrawn in favor of sub-amendment. m/c to permit the reporter to speak to the issue. Motion: to refer the question of terminology to the incoming Central Committee - carried unan.

Vote on Quebec Document:

	<u>Delegates</u>	<u>Consultative</u>	<u>L.S.J.</u>
For:	33	13	10
Opposed:	0	0	0
Abstentions:	3	1	3

CARRIED.

m/c to adjourn.

Morning Session, Monday, July 1

convened: 10:00 a.m.

m/c that WB be session chairman. Secretary: Earle

m/c that the afternoon session be a closed session, limited to delegates, Alternates, and fraternal delegates.

Report on Berkeley events by George Novack.

Report of Credentials Committee by Roxanne.

Organizational Resolution:

Presentation of resolution by Dowson.

Presentation of Lloyd-Courtney document by Courtney.

Morning Session, Monday, July 1. (cont'd.)

Organizational - Discussion:

General discussion. Amendments 1, 2 and 3 withdrawn.

Proposed amendment "A" (by Dowson and Courtney): To insert the following text between sentences 1 and 2, para 3, p. 9 of the Organizational Resolution (English text): "Between plenums, the CC has the responsibility to keep all CC members informed of important developments and problems as they arise in the movement. Thus, CC members can when they see fit more effectively advise the PC of their opinions so that the PC can function most sensitively in its day-to-day leadership of the movement. Within the resources of the movement and at its discretion this can be done through the circulation of reports of developments, problems and decisions related to the varied activities of the movement."

Proposed amendment "B" (by Young): that the new CC add a paragraph to the Organizational Resolution explaining why and how we operate as a unified movement in the two nations along the lines of the document on LSO/LSA relations.

M/c that Dowson and Courtney be given five minutes each to summarize.
m/c that we close the speakers list and limit each speaker to five minutes.

Statement by Dowson. Statement by Courtney.
Continuation of discussion.
Summary by Dowson.

Vote on Amendment 2 of Lloyd-Courtney submission:

	<u>Delegates</u>	<u>Consultative</u>
For:	3	0
Opposed:	29	13
Abstentions:	4	0

DEFEATED.

Motion: to adopt the Organizational Resolution plus the two PC amendments and to reject the other implications of the Lloyd-Courtney submission.

Discussion.

Motion divided as follows: 1) to adopt the Organizational Resolution plus the two PC amendments; 2) to reject the Lloyd-Courtney submission.

Ruling by praesidium: that the Lloyd-Courtney submission is subject to vote of the convention delegates.

Motion (by Frazer) to challenge the ruling of the praesidium.

Vote of delegates: For: 7, Opposed: 26, Abstentions: 3. Motion defeated.

Abstention motivated by Courtney.

Vote on Motion 1 (above):

	<u>Delegates</u>	<u>Consultative</u>
For:	36	14
Opposed:	0	0
Abstentions:	0	0

MOTION CARRIED.

Morning Session, Monday, July 1. (cont'd.)

Vote on Motion 2 (above) :

	<u>Delegates</u>	<u>Consultative</u>
For:	25	13
Opposed:	6	1
Abstentions:	5	0

MOTION CARRIED.

M/c to adjourn and to reconvene at 2:20 p.m.

Afternoon Session, Monday, July 1.

Chairman: CH

Election of Incoming Central Committee:

Adoption of procedural recommendations of Nominating Commission.

Report of the Nominating Commission presented by Newbigging, chairman of the Commission. Reported presented as unanimous decision of the Commission.

Motion: to adopt the report of the Nominating Commission and to approve the election of the following as the incoming Central Committee: Lloyd, Briar, N. Williams, Courtney, Connolly, WB, Young, AD, Bourhis, Scott, Hart, Moore, Strong, Adair, Dowson, Riddell, Bannon, Brock, Miller, Newbigging, Mack, Pedersen, Saunders (full members); BG, BE, Ruby, MacDonald, Frazer (alternates).

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Announcements

Closing remarks by Dowson.

Singing of the Internationale.

Adjournment.